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Judge denies attorney's request to withdraw from murder case

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

District Court Judge Francis Walsh denied a Southfield attorney's request to withdraw as legal counsel for Randee Johnson. charged with open murder in the shooting death of Shane Piehl in late May.

David E. Fregolle spoke to the court at an August 31 hearing via speakerphone. Those in the courtroom (about 20 people; some family and friends of the murder victim and some in support of Johnson) had difficulty hearing the attorney at first, but once Crawford County Prosecutor John Huss informed the judge of the problem, stating the defendant surely had the right to hear his own attorney, Fregolle made adjustments and was audible.

Fregolle explained he couldn't be present for Johnson's preliminary hearing for two reasons. One reason he stated was the fact his wife is nearing the end of a high-risk pregnancy. He told Judge Walsh her doctor had recommended he remain in the metropolitan Detroit area until at least September 19, the baby's due date.

Fregolle also stated there had Continued on Page 2A See "JUDGE DENIES..."

Second graders say 'Welcome Back!'



(the day before school opened) for a back-to-school party. As part of the fun, they used sidewalk chalk to leave a "welcome back" message for fellow students. The group also posed with their colorful "2" (left). The group consisted of Kara Malm, Hillary Fenton, Kaitlin Adamski, Andrea Malm, Jeff Brunell, Camren Wilson, Darcy Greer, Zane Tobin, Trevor DeWitt and Javonte' Robinson.

Glen's clerks scheduled for hearings

by Cheryll Ruley **Staff Writer**

Six local women and former employees at Glen's Family Market in Grayling are scheduled for various court appearances. The women have been charged with one count each of felony embezzlement and one count each of misdemeanor conspiracy to embezzlement.

Preliminary examinations were scheduled in 83rd District Court on September 4 at 1:30 p.m. for Kristen Lee Starr, Jenny Marlene Haller and Ilesa Mae Bordeaux.

At her August 14 arraignment, Stacie Lynn Prelop pleaded guilty to a lesser charge of misdemeanor. embezzlement by an agent or trustee, over \$200. Prelop is scheduled to appear before the Honorable John Hunter on September 11 at 9 a.m. for sentencing. The maximum penalty for the crime is one year in jail and/or a \$2,000 fine.

Expected to appear in District Court on September 18 at 1:30 p.m. for preliminary examinations are Penny Wakeley and Bonnie Sue

Charges were brought against the women following a two-month investigation where Grayling Police found goods were missing from the Grayling supermarket totalling in the "tens of thousands of dollars."

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AuSable waters offer healing again

Submitted by Sue Warrington

Fourteen women from the Great Lakes watershed, who are recovering from breast cancer, participated in a "Casting for Recovery" weekend retreat beginning August 17 at Bromley's Whippoorwill Lodge near Grayling. The women inception in 1996. Assisted by

ranged in age from the 40s to 60s and were, for the most part, Michigan residents.

The retreat, "for women only," was led by Susan Balch of Redding, VT, who has been with Casting for Recovery since its

volunteers -- including a psychotherapist and other healthcare professionals -- Balch helped the women learn the basics of fly fishing while enjoying the peace of the beautiful AuSable River.

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Photo courtesy of Sue Warrington

Breast cancer survivors and their guides stand at the river's edge and discuss an adventure in fly fishing at Bromley's Whippoorwill Lodge near Grayling. In all, 14 women participated in "Casting for Recovery," the weekend of August 17.

Mandated message service seeks volunteers

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

Red Cross Military Services Volunteer Service Manager Bob Underhill is looking for a few good volunteers. Underhill is in charge of the Red Cross office at Camp Grayling during the summer months when the installation fills with National Guard personnel ful-

As part of the Red Cross Emergency Services Team, Underhill's office is responsible for getting messages from "home" to service members out in the field or at the Camp. Messages to be delivered range from those informing of a death in the family, births, serious illness and well-being checks.

This summer alone, Underhill and his staff have received, verified and delivered, through the base chaplain or personnel officer, 125 messages -- 50 of them were death notices, 52 were notifications of serious illnesses, 19 were health and welfare checks (in the field, at the Camp, or at home), two were birth announcements and two were classified as miscellaneous. All were confirmed by the Red Cross before they could be delivered.

Retired Lt.Col. Dale French has signed on to volunteer his services. He said, "I don't think you can put a price on this service. The welfare of those fulfilling their military mission is top priority. Now we have a way for good (and bad) news to be passed on to the service Continued on Page 2A

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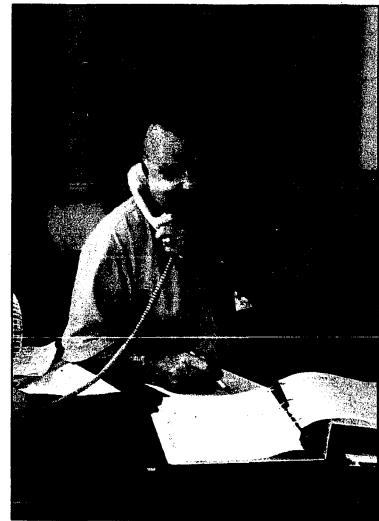


Photo by Cheryll Ruley

A volunteer since 1989, Bob Underhill heads up the Red Cross office at Camp Grayling, responsible for getting important messages to service members out in the field or serving on base. He is looking for volunteers to train for Summer 2002 duty.

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AuSable waters offer healing again

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The gathering gave the women a chance to help each other cope with the disease, discuss any topics of concern to the group, and perhaps most importantly, bond with others who have suffered from the disease. The weekend provided opportunity to make new friends, have fun and possibly develop a new hobby.

Why fly fishing as a sort of therapy? The casting motion of fly fishing mimics exercises prescribed to breast cancer patients to reduce lymphedema -- swelling, sometimes painful, of the upper arm adjacent to lymph node removal site due to reduced blood circulation -- to help restore mobility which may have been compromised by breast cancer

Fly fishing draws people to nature and places of solace and tranquility, where emotional well-being can flourish. Some "Casting" participants will take up the sport, while for others the weekend is a chance to get out in a serene area and enjoy the peace and beauty of a cool, clear trout stream.

On Saturday, August 18, while learning to tie knots, to cast, and other basics, the women each made a flag to fly in the breeze during the weekend. The flag allows them to

pass on any message of hope or concern.

On Sunday morning, the group spent time fishing part of the famous "Holy Water" of the AuSable River.

Although Casting for Recovery weekends are for women only, three men familiar with the AuSable assisted the group as fishing guides, including host John Bromley and guide Mike Powers, both of Grayling. They were able to help the women learn to "read the river" in order to locate fish.

Balch said Casting for Recovery has been holding retreats in Michigan for five years and is very impressed with the site for this 2001 retreat. She remarked that hostess. Robin Bromley, has been very sensitive to the needs of the participants and made the women feel special. The Lodge is booked for the 2002 retreat, scheduled for the third weekend in August.

Anyone interested in participating in a Casting for Recovery retreat or would like to volunteer to help, is invited to contact: Casting for Recovery, PMB-257, 946 Great Plain Avenue, Needham, MA 02492-3030; call toll-free: 1-888-553-3500, or log on to:

www.castingforrecovery.org



Photo courtesy of Sue Warrington

River guide, Mike Powers, helps a Casting for Recovery participant with her fishing line. Even though rain fell most of the day on Saturday, August 18, the group of breast cancer survivors got in a full day of activities.

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been a "breakdown in the attorneyclient relationship;" that Johnson had not paid him for his legal services. (Fregolle was also not present for Johnson's August 3 pretrial conference; a representative from Fregolle's office was sent in his place.)

Huss objected to the motion by Fregolle, citing Johnson's rights to a speedy trial and said he was ready to go forward with the preliminary examination, but knew that was not possible without an attorney present for Johnson's defense. Huss sug-

gested Johnson's family seek the services of another attorney or have the court appoint one so "they could get on with the case."

Judge Walsh advised Fregolle that he has never relieved an attornev from a case on the basis of nonpayment; however he agreed to reset the date of Johnson's preliminary examination to a time shortly after September 19, following the birth of Fregolle's child.

"I am angry right now," said a shaken Kathy Piehl, the murder victim's mother. "We just have to be patient; but, my son is dead, and I

don't want to wait two years to see iustice for him."

Mrs. Piehl said that since her son's death she has done a lot of research regarding the prescription pain killer, oxycontin -- the drug for which she believes Shane was killed. "I knew it was very potent and I've read a lot about oxycontin and how people are destroying the time-release mechanisim of the pills, then snorting it or taking it," she explained. "I was really glad to read that the drug company that makes oxycontin is trying to make

the pills tamper-proof." Upon Johnson's arrest and arraignment, he refused the offer of he had an attorney downstate but couldn't remember his full name.

"I'm disappointed we were not able to go forward today," said Huss following the hearing. "It came as a disappointment to myself as well as the victim's family."

"I want justice and I want it now," said Mrs. Piehl. "Shane has been dead three months now. I know that's not a lot of time in the court's mind, but it is a lot of time in a mother's heart."

The murder case remains under investigation and Sheriff Dave Lovely said more arrests may be forthcoming.

If Johnson is convicted, he may a court appointed attorney, stating face up to life in prison.

Message service seeks volunteers

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manner." Underhill said this particular service by the Red Cross has been around since World War I and was mandated by an act of Congress Cross at 1-800-691-6059. Training

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and our top priority. Now we are looking for a few local people to get involved."

Anyone interested in becoming a Red Cross volunteer at Camp Grayling, should call the local Red back then. "This is not just a vol- is scheduled for September 28, unteer situation here," said from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the Maple Underhill, who served in the Room at the Holiday Inn in Grayling, or call Underhill at (989)

military is a must for the Red Cross Glen's clerks scheduled for hearings

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Detective Dennis Long said the women are alleged to be part of a "sweetheart scheme" -- a scheme where associates or fellow employees aid each other in the commission of a crime.

According to Long the "scheme" of allowing one another to pay only a fraction of the cost of cartloads of groceries at the checkouts went on for about a year.



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Phase I of hatchery project under way

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

After some unforeseen delays, Phase I of the Grayling Fish Hatchery Restoration Project is now

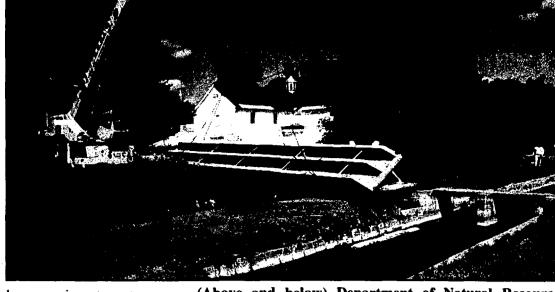
Expected to take about two years for completion, Phase I includes all site work to improve, repair, beautify and naturalize the grounds of the Hatchery complex. It also covers making the grounds handicap accessible.

Phase I is estimated to cost about \$400,000 with funding coming from grants totaling \$328,000 from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, local contributions of in-kind services and cash donations. work performed by the Michigan National Guard and Waste Management, Inc., as well as hours put in by volunteers.

Changes that will be visible to Hatchery visitors as Phase I progresses includes the construction of a children's fishing pond, a demonstration storm water retention pond, the planting of more than 200 trees and shrubs, paving of the main parking lot, construction of new restrooms, new fencing, signs, and the creation of nature trails.

One of many features the Fish Hatchery Project Steering Committee is happy to announce is the upcoming installation of "toe plates" and the widening of the concrete walkways between existing runways, allowing those in wheelchairs the opportunity for a safe, upclose look at fish in the runways. Part of Phase I also includes filling in three earth channel raceways and replacing them with a "natural appearing" trout stream and dredging sand and silt from the East Branch of the AuSable River.

In order to make the three earthen channels and other parts of the Hatchery grounds accessible to



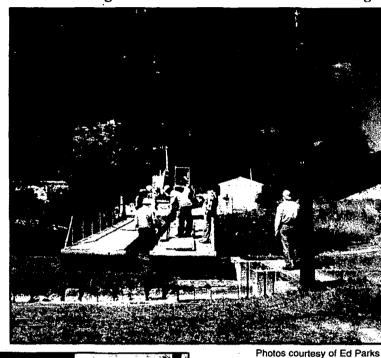
heavy equipment, a temporary bridge was in order. Coming to Project Manager Ed Parks and Committee Chairman Pat Merrill's aid was the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Forestry Division, offering the use of a portable heavy-duty steel bridge. The 40-foot bridge now spans the East Branch of the AuSable, set in place with the help of a giant

and the filling has begun. Although the Grayling Fish Hatchery is now closed for the season, visitors in the spring 2002 will still be able to access the concrete runways and feed the fish, as well as catch their dinner at the "Fish Out Pond" following restoration this

hydraulic boom crane on August 20

Phase II -- restoration of the big "white building" is currently in the concept stage. Cost for Phase II is estimated at \$800,000. Requests for matching funds for Phase II grants will begin soon. A tax-deductible donation may be made to: Grayling Fish Hatchery Project, P.O. Box 1128, Grayling, MI 49738.

(Above and below) Department of Natural Resources Forestry Division lent personnel and the use of a 40-foot long portable bridge at the Grayling Fish Hatchery, allowing easier access to portions of the grounds currently under restoration. A giant boom crane was used to set the bridge.



(Left) The portable bridge offers plenty of room for

heavy equipment to cross the river and allows safe footing for workers and visitors during Phase I of the restoration project.

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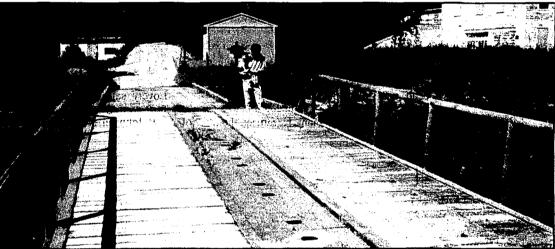
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Law enforcement kept busy over holiday weekend

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

both the Grayling very busy Labor Day weekend.

Crawford County Undersheriff With a bright, full moon present, very heavy on Friday, "as usual," department was extremely busy Police but reported, happily, there were no with a variety of complaints, such as Department and the Crawford traffic deaths in the County and no disturbing the peace and gas pump County Sheriff Department report a major incidents of crime were drive-aways, but nothing unusual reported.

Grayling Police Detective Dennis Kirk Wakefield said traffic became Long echoed Wakefield saying his for the holiday weekend.

City to start paving and water main projects

repaving jobs and a water main. replacement will be conducted in the City of Grayling starting this week. The projects are expected to take two to three weeks.

The water main being replaced is a section running along Peninsular Avenue from the Business Loop to Ottawa. The existing pipe will be dug up, the new one will be installed and tested, and the system will be shut down momentarily to complete the replacement. Residents in the area will experience "a very brief interruption" of water service during the shut down, city officials said.

The paving projects set to begin this week involve Lake Street (from the Business Loop to Maple Street), Maple Street (from Michigan



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A project involving a series of Avenue to Lake Street), Michigan jects. Avenue (from North Down River Road to Rose Street), and all of AuSable Court.

City officials said at least one lane should be open on each of the roadways during the construction pro-

The city had planned to start the projects in late August, but decided to move the start date back and do all the work after Labor Day. The projects were scheduled to start on Tuesday, September 4.





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by Richard Milliman

For Labor Day, columnist takes the week off

WHAT BETTER WAY to observe Labor Day than to let someone else do your work

In that holiday spirit, offered herewith are comments from others about a variety of subjects, mostly government and/or politics, learned from reading newspapers during the past few months.

"When the nation's governors gathered for their annual summer meeting, I was struck once again by the difference between interviewing them and my much more frequent journalistic encounters with members of Congress. The senators and representatives talk about bills they are trying to pass or defeat; the governors about things they actually have done. One set of politicians deals with a world of talk and paper; the other with a real world where actions have consequences." -- Long time Washington Post political columnist David Broder, after a meeting of the National Governors Association.

"There is substantial consensus among the governors of both parties around the idea that state decision-making can be more responsive and frequently far more creative than simply administering some federally imposed answer. Conservative micromanagement is no better than liberal micromanagement. It's still micromanagement. And that's the problem." -- Michigan Gov. John Engler, who chairs the governor's group, at the same meeting.

"THE LEGISLATURE IN general believes it's their prerogative to line out every aspect of the budget, and the executive branch humbly suggests otherwise. That conflict has been in existence since there has been governors and legislators." --Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, during veto hassles in Tallahassee this year.

"I guess we're supposed to work for free. That's the only thing that would satisfy everyone. For the first time, I'll be making more than elementary school principals in Big Rapids. Everyone's always taking shots at us. We're a target when we have a pay raise, and even when we didn't take one." --State Sen.. Joanne Emmons of Big Rapids, defending this year's huge legislative pay increase.

"I'm not in this job for the salary or pensions. I do this out of a love of public service." -- State Sen. Ken Sikkema of Grand Rapids, on the same subject.

"People cannot take our endorsement and our campaign money before the election and then after the election in the lame duck)session) vote against us. If they're going to do that, there's going to be consequences," --Robert LaBrant, vice president of the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, describing the Chamber's relationship with legisla-

"The biggest challenge of a democratic government is dealing with stupid people." -Column by Nolan Finley, editorial page

editor of The Detroit News, who went on to discuss the case of a woman who left her infant son with a stranger at a bus stop at midnight. The baby was found dead several days later.

"IT'S MY HONOR to speak to you as the leader of your country. And the great thing about America is, you don't have to listen unless you want to." -- President George W. Bush at an Ellis Island swearing-in ceremony for new citizens.

"He is thinking too much like the governor of Texas and not enough like the president of the United States." -- Former Michigan Gov. James Blanchard (running for governor again), criticizing President Bush for comments about Great Lakes water.

"Michigan Democrats, who someday just might decide to form an organized political party, have set themselves up for yet another bruising primary election for governor in 2002. Talk about finding new ways to screw up a one-car funeral. These folks are the champs." -- Detroit News columnist Pete Waldemeir.

"If mom had let me play football, I wouldn't be in all this." -- Boxer Hasim Rahman, who holds a couple of heavyweight titles, trying to explain his way out of heavy duty controversy about picking his next opponent.

"Super Caley go ballistic, Celtic are atrocious." -- Headline in a British newspaper called The Sun after the Glasgow Celtic soccer team was upset by the Inverness team. which is called the Caledonian Thistle. "Thanks, folks, for providing this column. I enjoyed the time off." -- Richard L. Milliman, usual author of The Almanack.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

HEALTHLINE

by Linda Demarchis, M.S., Health Educator

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department Number 10 which serves a ten county area. If you have any questions you would like to see answered, please call or write the Health Department in your coun-

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FAMILY SAFETY CHECK (Answer YES or NO)

1. Our entire family buckles up on every car ride. Young children are in safety seats and booster seats until the appropriate ages and ride

in the back seat. YES NO 2. Our family, including mom and dad, wear helmets when bicycling, rollerblading, etc. Helmets all fit properly, sit on top of the head in a level position and don't rock back

Nikki Grewe

Jamie O'Dell

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Cathy McGuire

and forth. YES NO

3. Kids under 10 never cross streets alone. Kids under this age do not have the judgement skills needed to determine traffic distances or driver reactions. YES

4. Kids are always supervised in or near water and use life jackets. Install 5 foot high fencing with self-closing and self-latching gates around pools and spas. Be aware drowning can happen in bathtubs, buckets, and toilets. YES NO

5. Our home has working smoke detectors and we change the batteries frequently. Smoke detectors should be in sleeping areas and on every level. YES NO

6. Our water heaters are set no higher than 120 degrees. Test the temperature before placing children in the tub. Consider installing anti-scald plumbing. YES NO

7. If guns are in the home, they are kept locked up. Guns are always unloaded and locked up with ammunition locked up separately. YES NO

8. Kids are protected against falls kids aged 14 and under die from from windows, stairs, furniture, unintentional injuries and more and playground equipment. Follow specifications for playground equipment and use safety gates.

9. Household cleaners, medicines and vitamins are stored out of the reach of young kids. Buy child resistant packaging but remember this does not mean child proof YES NO

10. Our home has emergency numbers near telephones, and adequate first aid supplies, including Syrup of Ipecac. YES NO

Families that can answer YES to all 10 items are probably doing a good job protecting children. Families that have NO answers should take the necessary steps to change them to YES as soon as possible.

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Your vote is needed at annual meeting

To the editor.

In 1991 when I decided to keep the animal shelter open, this community pitched in and we managed to do it. You have always been there when the animals needed you and I would like to think that I have also been there, for both the animals and you; I have tried.

I must admit I have never done well with bosses. I am stubborn and bull-headed. I am also dedicated and determined. Without these traits, I would have given up long ago.

This animal battle has always been uphill and some great strides have been made here over the last 13 years. Have you ever seen this shelter "board" arguing over your rights or the rights of the animals here? The answer is "no." Do you know any other county that has successfully prosecuted so many abuse cases? Again, the answer is It took a lot of determination and hard work to accomplish this. Without your support and that of the County Prosecutor's office, these things could never have happened. The shelter would never have existed without you and cannot continue to exist without your support.

All of you rallied when the shelter membership came into question. You signed petitions and filled out papers stating you were members of this organization and what you have done for the animal

shelter "board" asked for more proof of your support, so you gave \$5 each and still they did not acknowledge you.

On July 25, we were finally presented with the "board's" list. They had months to compile it. The list was poorly put together and contained names of hundreds of people who had purchased a quilt raffle ticket, not the people who truly wanted to be members. They even failed to put the names of many large donors on their list; one who happened to attend the July 25 hearing on their behalf. She did, however, appear on our

I have announced my intention to run for the board of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, along with Cheryll Ruley, Sharon Priebe, and Janet Ledger. Of course, the present "board" does not wish my name to be on the ballot on September 15 and their attorney has tried to make a deal if I will not run. That is not going to hap-You have stood behind the mis-

sion of the shelter for years and you turned out in mass when you were needed in December, January, and February. For the last nine months, we have been working our way to the annual meeting where you will be able to vote your wishes. The judge has certified your names on the membership list and you need to be there

Ten percent of the membership must be present at this meeting to have a quorum. That means if you don't come, there will be no meeting. If you are satisfied with the way things are right now, then you can just stay home.

We're all tired of this controversy that has dragged on for so long, but I've never been known to give up -- even when it would be much easier to walk away than to fight. But, you already knew that. The mission of the shelter, which seems to be lost these days in the fogginess of the controversy, is too important to lose sight of or give

On September 15, I intend to be at the annual meeting of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. I hope you intend to come, too. Please mark it on your calendars. Once again, the meeting is Saturday, September 15 at 7 p.m. at the Crawford County Courthouse. Please plan to attend, however you are going to vote.

By the way, we are planning another spaghetti dinner to help pay attorney bills. It was wonderful to see so many of your faces at the last one. I hope to get to see all of you once again on September 12, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Gray Rock Cafe. I promise you a good dinner with a lot of friends.

> Dixie Lobsinger Grayling

shelter to support that claim. The

Crawford County Library. Good luck finding someone as perfect in the job as Tracie was, with or without a master's degree. I am grateful, Tracie, for all your years of service to the community.

Barbara Spasoff Past President - Friends of the **Crawford County Library** South Branch Township

A sorrowful good-bye

To the editor,

It was with extreme sorrow we must say good-bye to Tracie Compton, the dedicated, caring, helpful and loyal director of the

AVALANCHE DEADLINES ters should be submit-

Community Briefs items submitted to The Crawford County Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear

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Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Medical personnel commended

To All Medical Staff of Mercy Hospital in Grayling:

I really don't know how to say of this, but I'll try. My first encounter ? with any medical professionals happened in Vietnam. It was there that I realized how difficult this profession was. I won't elaborate on my injuries, but this encounter left a lasting impression on how I viewed medical personnel that have devoted their lives to helping oth-

Throughout the years of working as a police officer in the City of Detroit, I have needed the expertise of various medical professionals. One particular work-related incident involved an 11-month recovery period. I have high regard for the individuals that helped me during this time.

The most proud moment I can recall was when my daughter decided to pursue a nursing career. I was so worried she would follow in my footsteps and decide on a career in law enforcement. She now has many years of experience in nursing and works at a major hospital in Detroit.

Until last week, it had been a number of years since I needed medical treatment of any kind. On August 10th, I dumped my motorcycle while working the detail of the Jack Pine Enduro Race. To the responding EMT's, emergency room personnel and those assigned to care for me during my six day : stay at the hospital, I commend

Each of you should be very proud of your chosen paths in life. Should you one day run into me on the road, don't hesitate to point out that I was once under your care.

Arne A. Juoz Kalkaska County Sheriff's

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All Service Women Luncheon planned

The All Service Women Luncheon, hosted by the Women Marines Association, will be held Saturday, September 29 at the Sterling Inn Banquet Center, 34911 Van Dyke Avenue in Sterling Heights. For more information, call (231) 587-9707 after 6 p.m.

Master Gardeners to elect new officers

Master Gardeners, and anyone who is interested in gardening, is invited to the first meeting of the Master Gardeners Society on Monday, September 10, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Lyon Township Hall. After electing new officers for the 2001-2002 year, those present will determine the topics to be discussed at each of the future monthly meetings. If you have any particular area of interest, join the discussion to have that interest made a topic for a future meeting. One of the Master Gardeners will then perform the research and presentation. For more information, call Co-Chairman Jean at (989) 366-5169.

Church begins new education program

The congregation of Mt. Hope Lutheran Church, on Old 27 just north of Grayling, announced recently that, starting September 11, it is offering a new Christian education program to continue until springtime. The program will run from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday nights; a meal and babysitting will be provided at no cost to allow the whole family to participate. Topics for the adult sessions will be on a weekly basis to avoid the feeling of missing a lesson. A music program will be available for children from grades one through six. For more information, call the church office at (989) 348-5921.

Library offers genealogy program

The Crawford County Library will offer a genealogy program on Wednesday, September 12 at 7 p.m. at the main branch on James Street in Grayling. Anyone interested in learning more about genealogy is welcome to attend. For more information, call (989) 348-9214.

Donations needed for charitable sale

Donations of clean, saleable items are needed for a sale to benefit the Cindy Calkins family. Cindy has been diagnosed with two forms of cancer and all monies raised will help offset her expenses. This would be a good time to get rid of the things cluttering your home and garage. Call 348-9528 for drop off directions or to arrange a pick up.

Public invited to Mini Pow-Wow

Native American dancing, drumming, storytelling, singing, jewelry, crafts and other vendors are all part of a Mini Pow-Wow at Paddle Brave Campground & Livery this weekend, September 8-9. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy a taste of Native American culture. Proceeds from the Pow-Wow will benefit South Eastern Michigan Indians Inc. Hours Saturday are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Grand Entry (dancing) will take place at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. on Saturday and at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$4.50 for adults and \$2 for children. Paddle Brave is located at 10610 Steckert Bridge Road, near the Roscommon County Line. For more information, call 1-800-681-7092.

Undersheriff to attend Maple Forest meeting

Crawford County Undersheriff Kirk Wakefield will be attending the Maple Forest Township meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 11 at 7:30 p.m. Anyone with questions or comments should feel free to attend this meeting. The Undersheriff will be there throughout the meeting and, if necessary, will remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

Men's pool league captains to meet

A Men's Pool League Captains' meeting will be held at the Frederic Inn on Monday, September 17 at 7 p.m.

Ostomy support group to meet in Soo

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Marie. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call (989) 356-9289 for further information.

Lions Club announces Lucky 13 winners

Gravling Lions Club Lucky 13 winner of \$100 for the week of August 24 was Judy Landin and the winner of \$300 for the week of August 31 was Linda Bannon.

Benefit spaghetti dinner to be held

An "all-you-can-eat" benefit spaghetti dinner is planned for Wednesday, September 12, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the Gray Rock Cafe in Grayling. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for kids age six to 12; kids age five and under eat free. Dinner includes spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, cole slaw and dessert. All proceeds go to Dixie's Underdogs' Legal Defense Fund. Any funds remaining will be given to the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. Tickets are on sale at various locations around Crawford County, or pay at the door.

Booster Club announces raffle winners

The Gravling Youth Booster Club 50/50 raffle winners of \$25 each for the week of September 2 are J.C. King, Berta Sawyer and Al Krey.

Grant allows KCPA to offer family rates for Skelton tribute

for the Kirtland Center Performing Arts (KCPA) recently received notice from the Northeast Michigan Arts Council, Region 7 Regranting Agency announcing that KCPA was awarded on \$4,000 grant to support the performance of "A Tribute to Red Skelton," starring Tom Mullica on Saturday, September 15 at 8 p.m. on the campus of Kirtland Community College.

A provision of the grant award is that the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Northeast Michigan Arts Council be publicly acknowledged for their support of this excellent program. Funding for the mini-grant comes from state appropriations.

"KCPA is extremely grateful for the support of its programming, and it is because of this support, excellent family programming such as 'A Tribute to Red Skelton' can be offered to our area residents with special family pricing where a family -- two adults and up to three children -- can attend this live theatre event for as little as \$32.50," said KCPA Director Gary Carton.

For more information on KCPA events, "A Tribute to Red Skelton," starring Tom Mullica on Saturday, September 15 at 8 p.m., or to buy tickets, call the KCPA office at (989) 275-5000, ext. 311.

Latest treatments topic of Lupus conference

and their families will be held on September 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Northern Michigan Hospital (NMH) in Petoskey. The event is free and open to the public.

The Great Lakes Lupus Conference is sponsored by Harbor Arthritis Center and NMH, and will meet in the Gamble Auditorium.

Charles Huebner, M.D., of Harbor Arthritis Center and NMH said the conference will offer useful, easyto-understand information to people with Lupus and their families.

"This conference will offer information about the latest in care options for people with Lupus. I believe the panel discussion and the experts that we intend to present at the conference will be particularly valuable to people who wish to learn more about the disease and how to manage it," Dr. Huebner said.

The conference will be presented in a lecture format with a panel discussion and a period for questions and answers. Brunch will also be included as part of the program.

People interested in participating should call HealthAccess at 1-800-248-6777 to register. Seating is limited, so early registration is encour-

Lupus (systemic lupus erythe-

A conference for Lupus patients matosus, SLE) is a long-term inflammatory disease, which can affect the skin, joints, and most body systems, particularly the kidneys and nervous system.

Fatigue is the most common symptom associated with Lupus. Muscle aches may be accompanied by red, warm, swollen, and painful joints that may be stiff especially upon awakening. In some cases, the soft tissue around joints may also be affected. Skin rashes are common and may include facial rashes, hives, redness (especially with sun exposure), and/or blisters. The skin may also bruise easily.

Other symptoms may include sensitivity to light, changes in weight, hair thinning, fever or swollen glands, or development of kidney

Mental health problems may also be a concern with people who suffer from Lupus. Depression may result from the need to cope with a chronic illness. While the depression may be temporary and subside in a year, in some cases the depression is more persistent and medication may be necessary.

For more information on Lupus, HealthAccess or visit LaurusHealth at www.northernhealth.org or www.harborarthritis.com.

Farm Park's 'Super Saturday' to feature milk

During the time of the Great Depression, what did the farmers do with all their milk? How did they process it? What products did they make from it? How was milk and milk products used as money? All of these questions and more will be answered at the next Super Saturday Program presented by Wellington Farm Park near Grayling.

On Saturday, September 8, interpreters at Wellington Farm Park will be concentrating their talks and demonstrations around the home processing of milk, demonstrating how it was accomplished in the early

At one location whole raw milk will be separated into skim milk and cream. At another location, cream will be churned into butter. In the kitchen, farm wives will be making park.org.

custards, puddings and cheese. At still another demonstration point, milk, eggs and sugar will be mixed together and made into ice cream.

The milk processing day at Wellington Farm Park is highly educational for the entire family, but it is especially fascinating for elementary school age children. Don't miss this learning opportunity. A great day for a family outing.

All the other attractions of the living history farm will be available also.

Wellington Farm Park is located on Military Road between Higgins Lake and Camp Grayling with easy access to both I-75 and US-27. More information can be obtained by calling 888-OLD-FARM or by visiting our website at www.wellingtonfarm-

Diabetes management classes offered by Northern Michigan Hospital

A series of classes designed to help people with diabetes manage zenter in Petoskey

Information will be presented in a series of four classes to be held September 12, 19, 26 and October 3, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The Center is funded by the Northern Michigan Hospital Foundation and is located across from the main entrance to

Northern Michigan Hospital.

The classes will offer information their own care will be offered on diet, exercise, self-monitoring of through the Dean C. Burns blood glucose, foot care, stress man-Community Health Education agement, and medications. A registered dietitian will lead the claincluding presentations from other professionals with expertise in diabetes management.

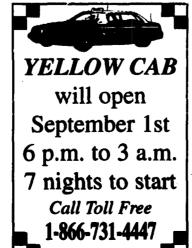
There is a \$25 registration fee. To register or for more information, call HealthAccess at 1-800-248-6777.

Master Gardener program to begin

Anyone who has interest in horticulture, can sign up for the Master Gardener Program offered by the Crawford County Michigan State University (MSU) Extension.

MSU Extension is providing its Master Gardener Program from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Thursdays, beginning September 20 and continuing until Monday, November 19. Classes will be held in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse.

The course fee is \$160 for individuals and \$220 per household. Instructors for the course will be a combination of University and professionals in their field.

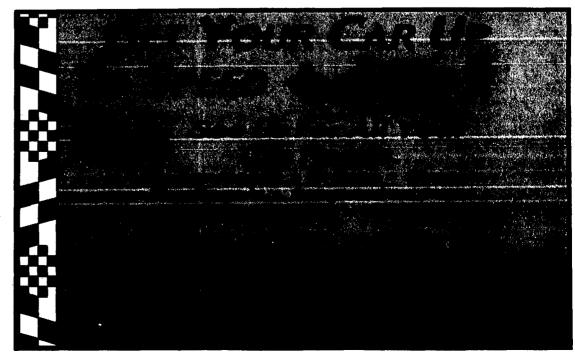


Samples of class topics include: plant and soil science, pest management, vegetables, fruits, ornamentals, plant propagation, plant problem diagnosis and flower gardening.

For more information, or for registration forms, contact the Crawford County MSUE office at (989) 344-3264 or the Roscommon MSUE at (989) 275-5043.



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The Bible Speaks

Moral Foundation

Beginning in the 60,s, America has faced a deliberate and systematic removal of God and the Bible from all areas of public life. With the removal of moral absolutes we have seen moral deviancy not only tolerated and accepted, but justified and deified. Those who have not drifted with the tide of immorality have been attacked and branded as religious extremists. One such man was Circuit Judge Roy Moore who refused under penalty of law to remove the 10 commandments from his courtroom in Gadsden. Al.. He has since been voted by the people of Alabama to be the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Alabama.

Recently Chief Justice Roy Moore presented a new monument, which is four feet tall and holds two tablets with the Ten Commandments displayed on them. The memorial weighs 5,280 pounds and is displayed in the Supreme Court rotunda. Engraved on the granite are quotes from America's forefathers supporting the Commandments' basis as the foundation for law. Just as Judge Moore personally carved his first copy of the 10 commandments, so also he paid for the labor and materials of the new version.

At the unveiling of the new statue, Chief Justice Moore said, "To restore morality we must first recognize the source from which all morality springs. >From our earliest history in 1776 when we were declared to be the United States of America, our forefathers recognized the sovereignty of God."

Joel Sogol, an attorney with the ACLU said, "Our courts should enforce secular made to feel as an outsider in their own community * certainly there are going to be any number of people who .get the message that they don't belong." The ACLU who brought the initial litigation against Judge Moore has not decided yet on this matter. Another group, Americans United for Separation of Church and State, has said they are likely to file a lawsuit.

Just as Daniel refused to bow to pagan government in Babylon, and was elevated to one of the highest offices in both Babylon and Media-Persia, so also, it appears God has blessed the courage of Chief Justice Moore. He has shown what can happen to any person who risks his career to do right.

There are a number of reasons the 10 commandments have become the most hated words of liberals in America today. First, because they were personally written by the finger of God. "And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God." (Exo. 31:18). Second, because they were given to the nation of Israel as God,s standard for morality conduct. Third, they made national morality subject to God,s will and not just the will of government. Fourth, they reveal God,s moral basis for reward and punishment for moral choices. Fifth, they are absolute and not optional. Sixth, they show us our failure and sinfulness and bring us under conviction and guilt. Seventh, they point us to Jesus Christ as our only hope. Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the

seed should come to whom the promise was madeΣ." "Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith." (Gal 3:19)

The 10 commandments are like a mirror that shows us how we look before God. They show us the depths of our pride. depravity, and degradation. They point us away from ourselves and to the lawgiver, God. Jesus Christ is the only person who ever kept the 10 commandments perfectly. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Rom 3:23) "But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe." (Gal 3:22) Jesus Christ took our place and paid the penalty for our sins. "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree" (Gal 3:13) But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." (John 1:12) Pastor "B"

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New 'Annie' comic added to adventures

A Grayling native and cartoonist has released a new publication featuring an old newspaper comic strip favorite, "Annie." Kurt J. Kolka, now of Gaylord, known for his annual Christian comic book publication, Cardinal Adventures, has created a sister publication, Comic Adventures.

Kolka said the new comic is different in its vision than Cardinal Adventures, which is sponsored by various area churches and contains an evangelical message in each issue. "The new publication is simply a fun newspaper-style publication with action, suspense and humor for the whole family," he explained. "There's no evangelical message in it."

He continued, "The new Comic Adventures is a salute to the newspaper adventure strips like 'Annie,' 'Dick Tracy,' 'Alley Oop,' and

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many others. This first issue really salutes 'Annie,' or 'Little Orphan Annie' as she was originally called. It contains 'Annie' trivia and information on web sites based on the comic strip and the musical."

Kolka said he has retained the rights from Tribune Media Services to continue publishing "Annie," and is waiting to see how the first issue

The comic strip newspaper also features a humor strip called, "Armadillo Junction," and a Cardinal story by Kolka himself. But, unlike the traditional, religious Cardinal comic, this story is a straight adventure story, Kolka said. Wrapping up the issue is an article on what other adventure strips are still being published today.

Kolka said he had been wanting to do a publication of this type for years. The part-time cartoonist grew up reading the newspaper strips and said the adventure strips were his favorites. Kolka is such a fan of newspaper strips, he keeps a collection on them in scrapbooks which he began doing over 20 years ago and has begun a scrap book of "Annie" strips for his three-year old daughter. In January, he decided to go through with his own publication



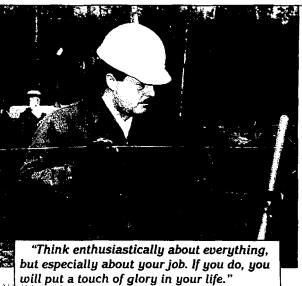
"Little Orphan Annie" part of the new Comic Adventures.

dream and feature the comic strip when he learned Gaylord Community Productions, Inc. was planning to present the musical, 'Annie," in August.

Putting publications together has become almost second nature to Kolka who works full-time at Star Publications in Gaylord, where he proofreads and lays out two shopping guides each week.

Comic Adventures can be purchased locally at Grayling Pharmacy or by mail for \$2 by sending a check or money order to: Cardinal Adventures, 324 East Petoskey Street, Gaylord, MI

Church Directory



-Norman Vincent Peale

Proverbs 1:20-33 Proverb: 3:1-18 Tuesday Proverbs 3:19-35

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Psalm

"A Touch of Glory

All around us is the evidence of labor. Everything we use...nearly everything we touch has involved the labor of someone at some time. The process of being born involves some of the most difficult labor there is. Just ask the mother who is drenched in perspiration after giving birth. Even God labored for six days in creating the universe, for in Genesis 2:2 we read that "...on the seventh day He rested from all His work."

So...the eminent positive thinker, Dr. Peale, wants us to be "enthusiastic" about our job. Perhaps you think, "That is easy for him to say!" Maybe you don't feel that your job is so glorious. Yet, if you do your job to the best of your ability and for the glory of God, you cannot help but show enthusiasm to those around you.

As you celebrate Labor Day this year, won't you take time to think about worshipping the Creator each week in His house? He will show you how to put a "touch of glory" in your life.

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Mr. Leas was born in Greenville, Ohio on June 16, 1923 to George W. and Susan Lee (Gorsuch) Leas. He was married to Ruth Seekell on May 4, 1946 in Michigan Center.

Mr. Leas was a retired automotive/construction mechanic. He was a full time resident of Grayling from 1959 until 1986, at which time he lived part time in Florida. He was a member of New Hope Baptist Church of Ellenton, Florida. Mr. Leas enjoyed fishing, hunting, wood working, snowmobiling and bowling.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Martha Fergus and one brother, Charles Leas.

He is survived by two daughters, Regina (Curt) Feldhauser and Sylvia (John) Millikin; one son, Hal (Jackie) Leas, all from Grayling. He also leaves behind eight grandchildren, ten great grandchildren and one sister, Ellen Bacon of Hudson.

No services will be held. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or the American Diabetes Association.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

In memory of...



Adrian J. Mastej

Tribute to a wonderful wife, mom, daughter-in-law, daughter and sister:

Adrian Joy Mastej, age 44, passed away suddenly on August 23, 2001. She was born February 26, 1957.

Adrian is survived by husband, John Mastej, Jr., and children Jennifer, Joshua, and Brian. She was the daughter of Virginia Kurpiewski and the late Leo Kurpiewski; daughter-in-law of John E. Mastej, Sr., and the late Angie Mastej; sister to Michaline (John) Harper, Deborah (Richard) Martin, and Karen (Douglas) Bogardus; and aunt to seven nieces.

Adrian had been employed by Citizens Bank. She loved life. One of her fondest pastimes was riding a motorcycle with her husband. They did that all their married life.

Her husband belongs to the Harley Crue Motorcycle Club in Grayling. She, along with other wives of the club, supported and participated in many events. Every weekend one of the clubs had a get -together and there were numerous occasions when many clubs met to donate time and talents to help the needy, such as Make-A-Wish Foundation, cancer patients, and anyone in need in any way.

No finer tribute could be paid to anyone such as Adrian received for her funeral. On Monday, August 27th, Grayling was invaded by motorcycle clubs from all over the state, who were here to pay tribute to her in leaving this world for a better home in heaven.

She had to have had a big smile on her face and a twinkle in her eye looking down from heaven as the long, awesome procession proceed to the church, close to a half-mile

After the funeral, a reception/ lunch was held at the Grayling Eagles #3465. There was not an empty chair in the hall. Many paid tribute in beautiful eulogies to a beautiful lady. All told, there had to be at least 200 bikers from all over the state; very well-mannered and leaving a lasting impression on our town of Grayling. Adrian will be sadly missed.

John Mastej, Jr.

Cyclists rumble into town to pay final respects



About 85 motorcycles, most with two riders, lined up in the August 27 funeral procession for Adrian Mastej who died suddenly on August 23. The 44-year old Grayling woman was an employee for Citizens Bank and enjoyed riding motorcycles. Her husband, John, is a member of the Harley Crue Motorcycle Club of Grayling. Members of the club, along with members of other clubs within Michigan (including the Upper Peninsula, Detroit and Grand Rapids) traveled to Grayling in Mastej's honor.

GHS ALUMNI NEWS

Ormsbee named 2001 Honoree

Submitted by Clara Sorenson Membership Secretary **GHS Alumni Association**

Every year, the GHS (Grayling High School) Alumni Association chooses a special person to be recognized at its Annual GHS Homecoming Dinner. Dennis Ormsbee is Honoree 2001.

Ormsbee came to Grayling in 1985 and is now retired. His work as High School Band Director and teacher has earned him honors for himself and a multitude of students, high school and middle school. He has taught our students by example.

Dennis and Brenda Ormsbee have been married 33 years. All three of their children -- Chad, Trisha and Tim -- are accomplished musicians; all are GHS Alumni.

Music is food for the soul. Band music is a tempo for celebration. Hope to see a lot of you on Saturday, September 8 at the Holiday Inn in Grayling.



Dennis Ormsbee

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GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

The Grayling Police Department handled the following 82 complaints during the two-week period of August 19- September 1:

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to other departments, two assaults, three animal control complaints, eight disturbing the peace complaints;

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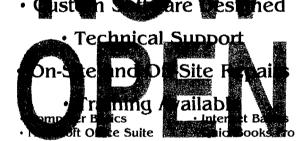


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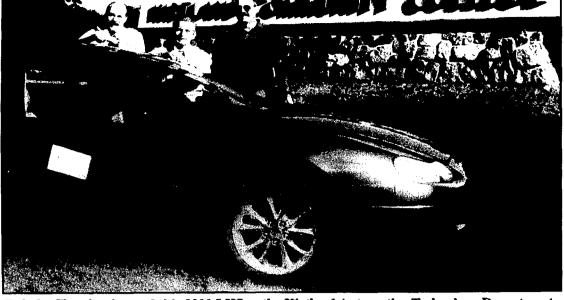
For the second time in three years, the Corporation, together with Scheer Motors in Grayling and Team Hodges of West Branch, have donated a vehicle, a 2000 DaimlerChrysler LHS, to Kirtland Community College's Automotive Technology Department. The Corporation presented a 1996 Dodge Grand Caravan to the College in February, 1998.

The gifts represent a commitment to enhance automotive services to customers in the Kirtland area, while at the same time promoting greater educational opportunities for future automotive technicians.

Dave Petrie, Service Manager at Scheer Motors and a graduate of Kirtland's automotive technology program, said "We're very happy to again join with DaimlerChrysler Corporation in making this donation to the College so that technicians enrolled there get all the educational advantages the Corporation and Kirtland have to offer. It means that DaimlerChrysler owners will continue to receive the best automotive care possible when serviced by Corporation trained technicians at dealerships nationwide.

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DaimlerChrysler donated this 2000 LHS to the Kirtland Automotive Technology Department.

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"This donation guarantees that technicians we train gain the necessary experience to meet the immediate needs of customers promptly and efficiently," said Terry Hodges, coowner of Team Hodges. Added Brad Scheer of Scheer Motors, "Customers and technicians alike have much to gain from this dona-

Bob Shingledecker, Automotive Technology Instructor at Kirtland said he was very happy about the donation. "This will provide our student technicians with up-to-date, hands-on work experience with DaimlerChrysler products and that makes this contribution extremely valuable. We're most grateful to DaimlerChrysler and to Team Hodges and to Scheer Motors for giving our young technicians this wonderful opportunity."

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The workshop, offered by Michigan State University Extension (MSU-E), includes:

tips from Michigan food busi-

- · business planning techniques • marketing ideas and sources
- packaging information
- · food law updates • resource materials

• networking opportunities

The workshop will be held at Michigan State University on October 18, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration fee is \$85 and includes lunch. Seating is limited to the first 25 registrants. Call the Crawford County MSU-E office at (989) 344-3264 to register.

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Beech bark disease moving into Michigan forests

Michigan's forests are facing a new foreign invader that, like Dutch elm disease, carries serious consequences for one native tree species.

Beech bark disease, which strikes only beech trees, entered North America by way of Canada in 1890. Since it became established in Nova Scotia, it has been moving south and west across the continent.

Deborah According to McCullough, Michigan State University assistant professor of entomology, the disease was confirmed for the first time last year in Michigan.

"There are definitely stands that have it in Oceana and Mason counties," she says. "In the Upper Peninsula. there are a number of stands that have it in Luce and Alger counties. Surveys are still in progress and other stands are probably out there."

The disease spreads with the help of a tiny scale insect. The insect colonizes beech trees, covering them with scales that make the bark look white. Sometime after the insect attack, possibly as long as 10 years later, a fungus invades the tree, killing it.

"You don't get the fungus without the scale insect, and once you get the insect, you're going to get the fungus eventually," McCullough notes.

She says there is no known prevention method, though Canadians have found that scrubbing the scale off the tree can reduce the chance that the fungus will invade.

In the coming years, the disease will move through the state, first taking the largest and oldest trees.

"During the first wave, you'll lose 50 percent of the big beech trees," McCullough says. "Another 25 percent will become infected but won't succumb right away. They'll hang on and develop cankers. They won't grow, but they won't die, either."

Another quarter of the population will escape the disease, but a few trees, less than 1 percent, are resistant to the scale insect and will never get beech bark disease. McCullough says this is related to their bark chemistry, and it makes these trees important candidates for study.

"One of our big emphases, as we start dealing with this in Michigan, is to keep an eye out for potentially resistant trees," she adds. "Those are the ones we want to keep an eye on and eventually challenge and see if they are really resistant. If the beech resource is going to recover in our state, it will be because of that."

In addition to damaging Michigan forests, beech bark disease will also affect wildlife.

"The farther north you go in the U.P., the more beech you have," McCullough notes. "Everything from black bears to turkeys to martins to deer -- you name it -- they feed on the beech nuts. Up there, beech is the primary nut producer, and over time it's just not going to he there."

She cautions lower Michigan residents not to confuse beech bark dis-

ease' scale insects with the woolly beech aphid, a small white insect that is active now and is very common in southern lower Michigan, especially the southeast. Unlike scale insects, the aphids move around, waving their abdomens in the breeze. They are found on leaves and small twigs; beech scale insects colonize tree trunks.

"You don't want to go out and cut all your beech trees down right now. But everyone with woodlots and forest properties needs to be aware and watch their trees," McCullough points out. "If they start to make decisions about thinning or harvesting, they need to take beech bark disease into account."

To learn more about beech bark disease, contact your county MSU Extension office for a copy of Extension bulletin E-2746, "Biology and Management of Beech Bark Disease."

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The Fitness Council of Northern Michigan, an affiliate of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Health, and Sports, will meet on Thursday, September 13, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, at Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency in Gaylord. The Council will be discussing the work plan for the upcoming fiscal year. Anyone interested in promoting fitness and improving the health of residents of the community is encouraged to attend.

Council members will also be finalizing plans for the 2nd Annual Northern Michigan Health and Weight Management Conference to be held in Gaylord at the Otsego Club Resort on October 4 and 5.

On Thursday, October 4, there will be a free public presentation, "Do You Like What You See in the Mirror?" featuring Dr. Bobby Scales, Director of Scales Health and Fitness Consultants.

A conference of health professionals. "Fighting the Obesity Epidemic: the Role of Physical Activity & Nutrition," featuring Dr. Barry Franklin, Director of Cardiac Rehabilitation at Beaumont Hospital and Dr. Scales, will be held on Friday, October 5. For more information or to register for the conference, call 1-800-847-3665.

The Council will also discuss plans for a Senior Health and Fitness Program. Members are offering free materials on exercise from the National Institute on Aging to all senior centers in our 21-county northern Michigan region. To receive information about this program, call Donna Burge at NWM-CHA at (989) 732-1794.

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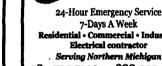
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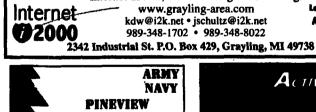
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Camp's rep visits Mercy for insight on rural health care

Congressman Dave Camp and myself to have a first hand understanding of the issues facing rural health care facilities. We are supporting legislation for hospitals in rural areas and have done everything we can do to help the legislative bodies understand that there is a difference between urban and rural health care delivery systems," remarked Deirdre Clancy, Director Legislative for Congressman Camp. Clancy visited Mercy Family Care Roscommon, which is in Congressman Camp's 4th Congressional District, on August 7 as part of two-day trip to Congressman Camp's district.

"Rural health clinic revenues are so important to Mercy Hospital Grayling and our health facilities in Prudenville Grayling, Roscommon. It is what helps sustain our bottom line," stated Stephanie Riemer Matuzak, CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling. "Access to health care is definitely an issue in our service area. Transportation services are limited and many of our residents have difficulty driving distances especially in the winter. Mercy and partner, Munson Healthcare, are striving to meet the diverse needs of residents by expanding services and providers locally. These expansions are not without problems such as personnel shortages in certain fields and

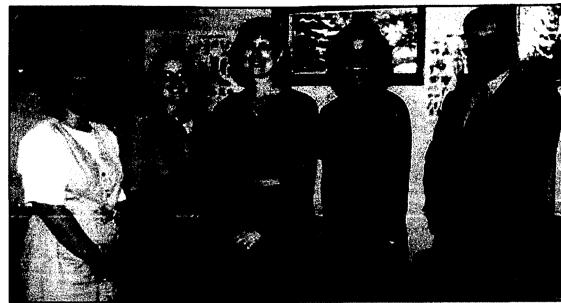


Photo courtesy of Mercy Hospital Grayling

Meeting on August 7 to discuss rural health care issues were Terri Melia, Office Manager for Mercy Family Care Roscommon; Deirdre Clancy, Legislative Director for U.S. Rep. Dave Camp (R-Midland); Stephanie Riemer Matuzak, CEO, Mercy Hospital Grayling; Elizabeth Gertz, Michigan Hospital Association; and Bill Collin, Director of the Mercy Physician Network.

recruitment of health care providers to this rural area."

"Everything that urban health care facilities cite as problems with the overall system are amplified in rural settings. The communities in rural areas have all the same needs and the same overhead as those in urban settings, however, the rural hospitals are forced to try to survive on less reimbursement, smaller volumes, decreased revenues overall and recruitment related problems," stated Elizabeth Gertz, Executive Director of the North Central Council of the Michigan

Hospital Association. "The legislature must begin to recognize this

and place into law a system which would provide equality in reimbursement. Hospitals should not be penalized just because they are in a rural area.'

After a tour of Mercy Family Care Roscommon, Clancy returned to Congressman Camp's office in

Keeping a small number of livestock topic of MSUE program

On Saturday, September 29, from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. a program on keeping a small number of livestock will be offered by MSU Extension.

The program will feature housing and facilities to keep your livestock healthy and safe, plus keep your neighbors happy.

Another aspect of the program will be on animal psychology, restraining, and giving medication to animals. Often people feel they need elaborate facilities to accomplish these activities. With a little common sense and understanding of how an animal perceives the world a great deal can be accomplished without harm to the animal or the human.

Another aspect that will be cov-

ered will be feeding, feed storage and watering options. Many times a very simple approach is best and accomplished the objective of providing the animal's needs.

The final and optional program of the day will be pasture management and controlled grazing. According to Jack Middleton, Otsego County Extension director, 'many people cause a lot of stress to animals by not understanding their basic needs. Many times handlers are too rough and try to teach the animal "a lesson" not realizing that they're teaching the animal to fear them and the animal reacts aggressively or dis-

blays flight tendencies. We plan on having a lot of fun and provide a great experience to the 4-H'er or to the retired couple who want to be in the husbandry of a few animals." Dr. John Molesworth. DVM and Jack Middleton both of MSU Extension will be teaching and demonstrating.

This program will take place at Jack and Connie Middleton's farm. Take M-32 seven miles west of Gaylord to East Martin Lake Road (just north of Camp Sancta Maria Boy's Camp). There will be signs to follow on East Martin Lake Rd. For more information please call Otsego County Michigan State University Extension at (989) 731-0272.

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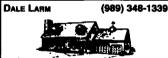
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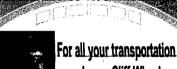
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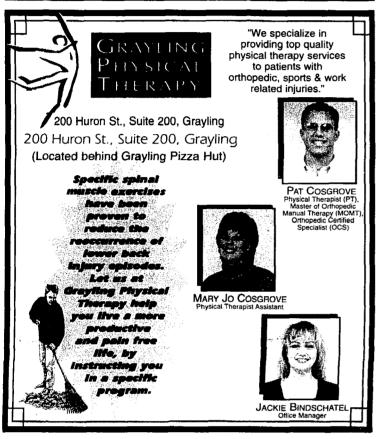
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Nationally, Make A Difference Day is sponsored by Points of Light Foundation and USA Weekend

Michigan, Michigan Community Service Commission (MCSC) is leading the charge with partners, the Council of Michigan Foundation, Michigan Association of United Ways, Michigan Campus Compact, Michigan Family Independence Agency, the Michigan Office of the Corporation for National Service, Michigan State University Extension, and Volunteer Centers of Michigan - by sponsoring Make A Difference Day.

To assist and encourage volunteers, the MCSC has announced the availability of Make A Difference Day project planning packets. The packets provide valuable planning tips and a Make A Difference Day project entry form.

For more information on Make A Difference Day in Michigan or to request a project planning packet, please call Liz Scully at (517) 241-

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during September 5 - 11, 2001.

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located North Of County Rd. 612, East of Guthrie Lake, South of Old State Rd. 618, and West of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting range operations during the following dates and times: September 5-7 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

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North of North Down River Road, East of Jones Lake Road, South of CR 612, and West of Bald Hill Truck Trail: September 8 from 7:00 a.m. until 12 midnight and September 9 from 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

In addition, the following roads will be closed September 7-9: **Bucks East-West Truck Trail from** Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Road, Stephan Bridge Road from CR 612 to N. Down River Road, and Wakeley Bridge Road from CR 612 to N. Down River Road.

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by Jan Farley

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Thu. September 6 - Pork Chops/BBO Beef Sandwich; BP's and sugars taken 11 a.m. to 12 noon; Out to Lunch gang goes to BJ's in Gaylord at 11 a.m.; 1 p.m. Crafts; Pinochle Club at 1 p.m. and Uno-Attack game at 5:30 p.m.

Fri. September 7 - Spanish Rice with ground beef/no dinner; Pantry Bingo and 80-Cent rummy at 1 p.m. laughed!

Mon. September 10 - Wiener Schnitzel/Goulash; 4-C's Club at 10 a.m.; Walk-a-long at 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Bridge Club at 1 p.m.; and Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

Tue. September 11 - Chicken Kiev/Sweet & Sour Meatballs with Rice; RSVP Cards at 1 p.m.; Euchre Club at 1 p.m.; Personnel Committee at 4 p.m.; and "Christmas in September" Dance at 5:30 p.m. We wish all the Sno-Birds farewell and with them all the happy holidays that they will miss with us until they return.

Wed. September 12 - Swiss Steak/Macaroni and Cheese; Stag Cards at 12:30 p.m.; Birthday Dinner and White Elephant Auction following

Above all this week, remember... The most wasted of all our days are those in which we have not

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Department handled the following 113 calls for the week of August 27 - September 2:

One EMS response, one structure fires, one assault/intimidation/ stalking, four burglary/home invasion, six larceny, one fraudulent activities, two damage to property, one family offense/abuse/neglect, 24 public peace/disorderly, one OUIL/UBAL, 15 driving viola-

The Crawford County Sheriff tions/DWLS etc., five health and safety, one conservation, two miscellaneous criminal offense, two delinquent minors, 15 traffic accidents, one valid alarm, seven false alarm activation, two motor vehicle inspection, one civil matter disputes - family trouble, two suspicious situations, two lost and found property, 14 general non-criminal, one harassing communication, one miscellaneous arrest.

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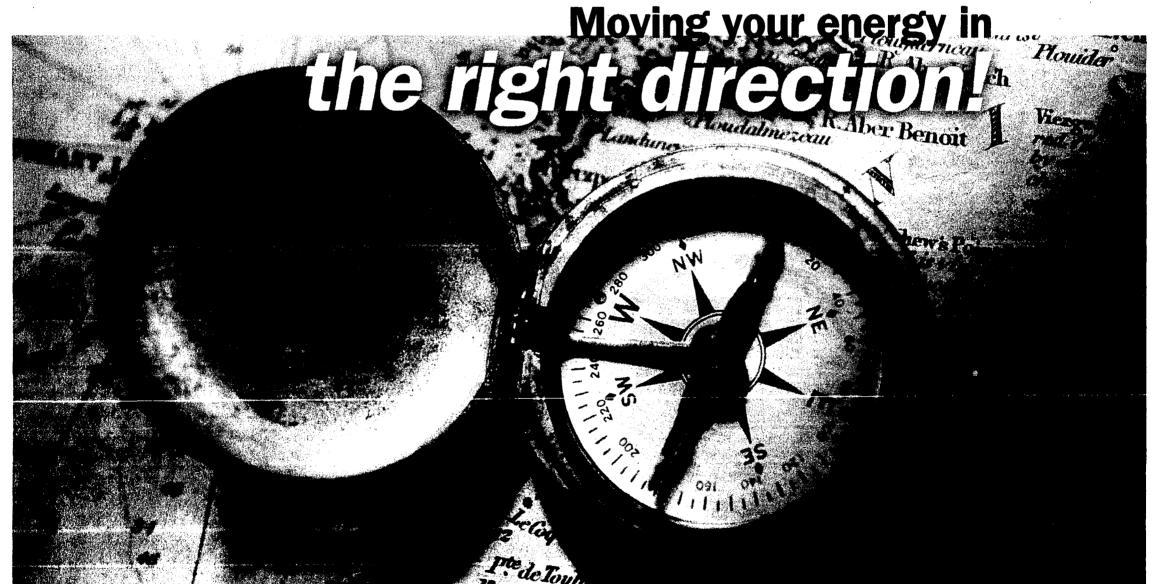
Beaver Creek Township Library recently received a donation by Ron Wood of an antique typewriter and is on display at the library.

The library has also received back issues of the Genealogical Helper magazine donated by Mr. and Mrs. Parrott. They feature a "Missing Folk Finder," a section on available books, website listings, and "Professional Researchers" area that gives the names of those who can help in your search for family roots.

New books added to the Beaver Creek Township Library collection include: Trickster by Muriel Gray, Gazebo by Emily Grayson, Wineries of the Great Lakes by Joe Borrello, Book of Ch'i by Paul Wildish, My Story by Sarah Ferguson, Free Fall by Elizabeth Barrett, Secrets of a Sparrow by Diana Ross, Other Powers by Barbara Goldsmith, Michigan Capital Cities by Melissa Stimson, Don't Sweat the Small Stuff by Richard Carlson, Every Little Thing About You by Lori Wick and Pet Sematary by Stephen King.

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Hanson, Chairperson of the

Hanson described the recently completed trail as the first step in the development of a fully integrated

New trail officially dedicated non-motorized trail system within Crawford County.

> Hanson further described the project as an innovative and cooperative endeavor between state and local government, the Crawford AuSable School District, and local service organizations. He specifically credited the following for having made important contributions to the trail project: the management and personnel of MDOT's Grayling Transportation Service Center; the members of the Crawford County Parks and Recreation Committee working under the direction and

Grayling Recreation Authority; Terry Wright, Grayling Township Supervisor; Susan Thiel of the Department of Natural Resources; and Don Babcock, Managing Director of the Crawford County Road Commission.

Koppa also addressed the gathering. He again credited the quality of the individual efforts of those involved with the project, and specifically acknowledged the contribution of Don Caulkins, an MDOT Construction Technician who provided oversight during the construction phase of the project.

fly" modifications to the project that enhanced both the safety and aesthetics of the end product.

The dedication ceremony was preceded by a walk along the entire length of the 2.4 mile trail. Participants included Awiszus, MDOT Development Technician Grayling TSC; retired city manager Jerry Morford and his wife Judy; retired CASD superintendent Kent Reynolds and his wife Mary Ann; Susan Thiel of the DNR; and 18 enthusiastic "Little People," hikers representing both the Crawford AuSable Day Care Center and the future of the community.





On Friday, August 24, the Grayling Bicycle Turnpike that runs from Grayling High School to the City of Grayling was dedicated in honor of Crawford County Trails Committee chairman Wayne Koppa.

Cultural Events to open '01-02 season with 'The Four Aces'

The Crawford AuSable Cultural Events Program will host its first event of the 2001-02 season on Thursday, September 13, with a performance by "The Four Aces."

The Four Aces show will be held at Grayling High School's Joseph Stripe Auditorium at 8 p.m. on September 13. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$15/adult individual or \$12/student or senior.

The award-winning Cultural Events Program will include four series this year: the Command Performance Dinner Series (a variety of entertainment in a lunch or dinner setting); the Travel & Adventure Series (travelogues held at the Rialto Theatre); the Learning Through Music Series (a variety of musical ensembles); and "Special Performances.'

The Four Aces show is considered a "Special Performance." The Special Performance Series, which will also include the annual Christmas Special, and performances by Encore Winds and Ray Kamalay and His Red Hot Peppers, is sponsored in part by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and area businesses and corporations.

Special deals are avaiable for those who would like to purchase tickets for an entire series. Also, a limited number of "Patron" tickets, which cover admission for all the shows in the four-series 2001-02 Cultural Events line-up, are avail-

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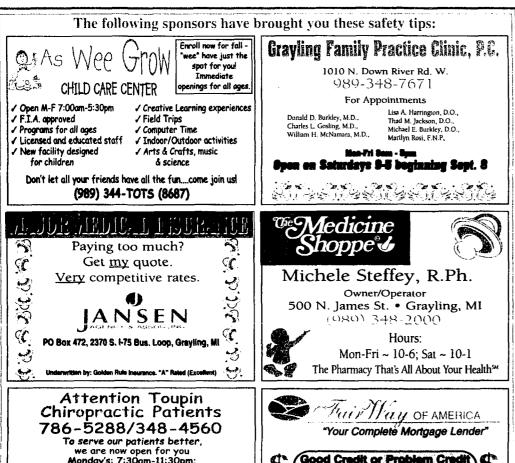
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- Do not store poisons or toxic materials under the sink. Place them high up out of a child's reach.
- Install latches on all drawers and cabinets which might contain items that can harm a child.
- When cooking, turn all pot handles inward so a child cannot reach them. Use back burners whenever possible.
- Baby-proof stove knobs that are within a child's reach.
- •Do not put magnets on refrigerators. They could accidently get knocked off onto the floor where a child could pick them up and swallow them.



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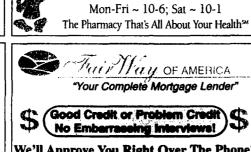


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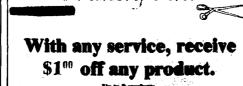
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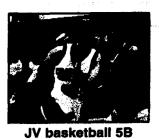
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Thursday, September 6, 2001

Grayling wins JV football contest 26-0

Vikings blank Bobcats in home opener

► GHS's strong running game and defense too much for visiting HL

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

Grayling High School's junior varsity football team posted a 26-0 shut-out of Houghton Lake on Wednesday, August 29, in Grayling. The Vikings are now 2-0 so far this season.

The Vikings played solid defense and the team's offense racked up over 400 yards in the game.

Grayling went 63 yards on 14 plays for a touchdown on the first possession of the game. The Vikings started the drive at their own 37yard line after a 12-yard return by Travis Gildner. A run by Dusty Partello and an offsides call on the Bobcats gave GHS a first down. A run by Darryl Babbitt and another offsides violation on HL brought up 1st & 10 in Bobcat territory. Runs by Shawn Gabriel, Babbitt, and Partello picked up another first down for the Vikings.

On 1st & 10, Zach Wegner picked up nine yards, and Babbitt carried on second down for four yards to give GHS another first. An 11-yard run by Gabriel brought up 1st & goal for Grayling. On 3rd & goal, quarterback Chad Helsel completed a nineyard touchdown pass to Partello. Greg Warren added the extra point kick to give GHS a 7-0 lead.

The Vikings caught Houghton Lake off-guard with a squib kick on the ensuing kick-off and Gildner recovered the ball downfield for ing up three first downs. Grayling, giving GHS the ball at the Houghton Lake 34.

The Vikings moved up to the 12yard line on five plays. Partello ran the ball in for a score, but a holding call on Grayling negated the TD. On the next play, the Vikings fumbled and Houghton Lake recovered. The Bobcats took over at their own 12-

Grayling's defense held strong following the turnover. After three plays, Houghton Lake punted.

The Vikings started at their own 45 after the punt. Partello gained nine yards on 1st & 10. A run by Wegner picked up the first down. Babbitt covered another 10 yards on the ground. On 2nd & 10, Babbitt broke loose for a 17-yard gain. Babbitt picked up six yards on first down, then ran if for a score on 2nd & 4. The extra point kick missed.

The Vikings led 13-0 with 10:51 left in the first half.

Grayling got a great kick-off from Gabriel after the score. The kick sailed past the HL return men, and Roy Czapek took the Bobcat ball carrier down at the Houghton Lake 8-yard line.

Grayling defense again held strong and forced a punt on 4th & 3. A 5-yard roughing the kicker penalty on Grayling gave HL a first down, however. The defense stepped up again, and forced another punt on 4th & 9.

Gabriel returned the punt 17 yards to give the Vikings a 1st & 10 at the Houghton Lake 30. The Viking offense lost yards on a holding penalty and a fumble. Grayling punted on 4th & 21.

The Bobcats again started deep in their own zone (at the 14). Houghton Lake started to move the ball, pick-

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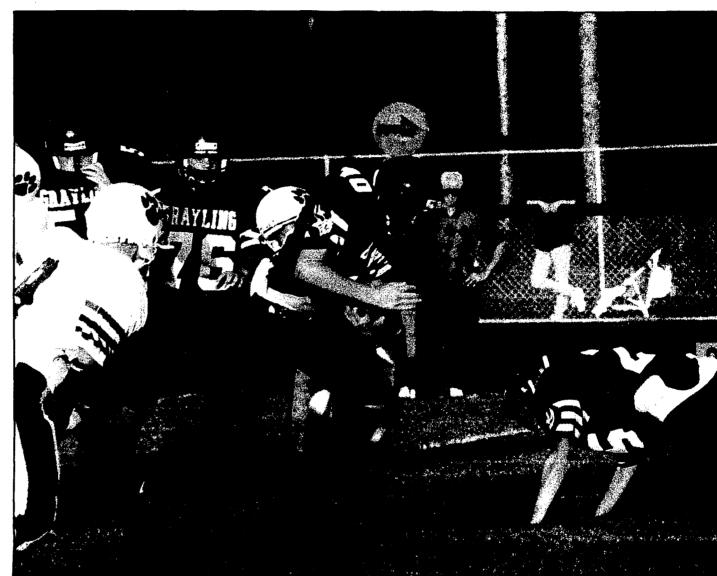


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Fullback Darryl Babbitt runs the ball up the middle for Grayling against the Houghton Lake Bobcats last Wednesday. Babbitt carried the ball 14 times for 144 yards in the match.

Grayling vs. Houghton Lake

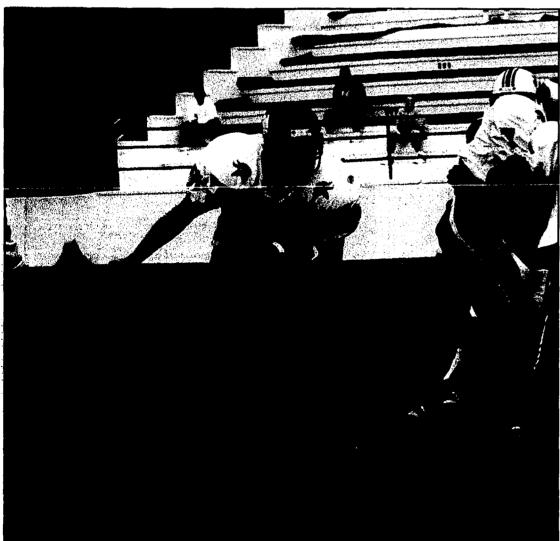


Photo by Caleb Casey

Juell Joseph carries the ball for the Vikings in last week's varsity football game at Houghton Lake. Joseph gained 132 yards on the ground on 14 carries and finished with 33 receiving yards on three catches. The Vikings lost to the Bobcats 31-0 in the match. For more on the varsity football team, see Page 2B.

GIRLS BASKETBALL SEASON **GETS UNDER WAY**



Photo by Caleb Casey

Danielle Beckwith brings the ball up for the Vikings in last Tuesday's season opener against Gaylord. For more on the varsity girls basketball team, see Page 5B.

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Bobcats win two-day football affair

► Vikings shut out 31-0 in postponed match at Houghton Lake last week

by Caleb Casey **Staff Writer**

The Houghton Lake Bobcats handed Grayling's varsity football team its second loss of the season last week in a match that had to be played on two separate days due to dangerous weather conditions at Houghton Lake on Thursday night.

At halftime on Thursday, the match was delayed and eventually postponed due to visible lightning. The second half was played on

The Vikings opened the game with an aggressive play, an on-side kick on the first play of the contest, and the gamble worked. The kick bounced off a Houghton Lake player and the Vikings recovered at their own 49-yard line.

On 2nd & 11, quarterback Larry Baynham completed a pass to fullback Juell Joseph for a gain of 17 yards. Two runs by Joseph and a scramble by Baynham brought up 4th & 1 at the Houghton Lake 26. The Vikings surged forward to pick up a first down.

Baynham again connected with Joseph on a pass play for a pick-up of 17 yards, bringing up 1st & goal for Grayling at the 9-yard line. The drive stalled, and a field goal went wide right. Houghton Lake took over on downs at the 12-yard

Houghton Lake drove 81 yards on 11 plays to bring up 1st & goal at the 7. Grayling's defense rallied for a goal line stand, which included a stop on 4th & goal just inches from the end zone. The Vikings took over on downs at their own 1-yard line.

On first down, Houghton Lake brought pressure. Baynham got rid of the ball, but was whistled for

intentional grounding and a safety was awarded to Houghton Lake. The Bobcats received two points and the Vikings had to kick off to

On the first play of Houghton Lake's resulting drive, the Bobcats completed a deep pass to a wide open receiver for a 44-yard touchdown reception.

Grayling blocked the extra point kick, but trailed 8-0.

The Vikings fumbled on 3rd & 13 from their own 22-yard line and Houghton Lake recovered the ball in the endzone for a touchdown. The Bobcats scored a two-point conversion to lead 16-0.

On the kick-off, the Vikings fumbled, HL recovered and ran in for a TD, but an offsides call on the Bobcats cancelled the play. After the re-kick, the Vikings started at their own 22.

GHS went three-and-out. After the punt, the Bobcats started at Grayling's 40-yard line. Ryan Swope got to the quarterback on 1st & 10 to break up a pass play. Defensive back Jesse Gildner broke up a pass play on 2nd & 10. The Bobcats completed a pass on 3rd & 10 for a gain of only three yards. Baynham made the tackle on the play for Grayling.

On 4th & 7, the Bobcats completed a pass play for 23 yards. Houghton Lake was called for clipping on 1st & 10. On 1st & 25 from the 29, the Bobcats broke free for a touchdown run. Houghton Lake ran attempt by GHS on fourth down in for two points on the conversion play to lead 24-0.

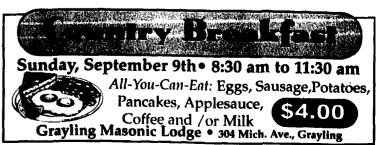
Houghton Lake's kick-off rolled through Grayling's special teams unit, and the Vikings had to start deep in their own zone. A completed pass to Travis Fagan and a 25yard run by Joseph gave GHS a 1st & 10 at Grayling's 40. Joseph broke free for a 26-yard run on 2nd & 14 to give Grayling a first down at the Houghton Lake 38.

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OB Larry Baynham throws a pass against the Bobcats.





Grayling's offense prepares for a snap near the goal line against Houghton Lake on Friday.

Photos by Caleb Casey

Bobcats win two-day football affair

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Runs by Joseph and Gildner brought up 1st & 10 at the 19 for Grayling. The drive lost momentum, but the Vikings had a good opportunity to punch one in after a pass interference call on 4th & 13 gave the Vikings new life. With 15 seconds left on the first half clock, the Vikings tried a running play on 1st & 10 at the 11. Houghton Lake stopped the play, and the clock ran out before GHS could get another play off.

Houghton Lake led 24-0 at halftime.

The teams were kept in the locker room due to lightning, and the game was eventually postponed until the next day, Friday, at noon.

On Friday, the game started back up with Grayling receiving the second half kick-off. Joseph returned the kick to the Grayling 40. On the first play from scrimmage, Joseph carried for 15 yards to move GHS into Houghton Lake territory.

Runs by Joseph and Baynham brought up 3rd & 1. Joseph broke loose for a 27-yard gain to bring up 1st & goal at the 9. On 2nd & 8, Houghton Lake picked off a Grayling pass in the endzone for a touchback.

The Bobcats drove 80 yards on 11 plays for a score. With the extra point kick, Houghton Lake led 31-0 with 5:00 remaining in the third

quarter. The Vikings ran three plays on their next possession, then had to punt. Swope recovered a fumble on the punt to get Grayling the ball

drive, but came up short. A 14-yard run by Joseph and a 24-yard run by Joseph on the very next play brought up 1st & goal at the 6. Three running plays brought up 4th & goal from the 3. Two false start penalties against GHS moved

Marvin Forbes, but he was stopped inches short of the goal line. Houghton Lake took over on downs at their own 1-yard line.

Nine plays later, the Bobcats moved into Grayling territory. On 1st & 10 at the 47, the Vikings stopped a running play for no gain. Pass plays on second and third down were incomplete. The Bobcats went for it on 4th & 10 at the 47, but failed to connect on the

The Vikings took over on downs at their own 47. Houghton Lake stopped Grayling for four plays to get the ball back. Swope recovered a fumble on Houghton Lake's resulting series to give Grayling the ball at the GHS 36-yard line.

A fumble, false start penalty, and QB sack hampered Grayling's drive. The Vikings punted on 4th &

Houghton Lake tried to pick up a first down on 4th & 1 at the Viking 22, but Grayling's defense held. Baynham made the tackle on the

A Grayling pass was intercepted on the next play to give Houghton Lake the ball back. HL took a knee to end the game. The Bobcats won

Joseph finished with 132 rushing yards on 14 carries. He also had three catches for 33 yards. Forbes caught two passes for 25 yards.

On defense, Joseph led the team in tackles with 10. Swope had seven tackles and two fumble recoveries for Grayling.

"We executed better in this game gave Houghton Lake a lot of points. This week, we're going back to



Juell Joseph runs the ball for the Vikings.

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The Vikings tightened up on defense at mid-field and forced Houghton Lake to punt on 4th & 7.

Grayling had 1:16 to work with before halftime. Helsel completed a pass to Partello for a gain of 16 yards on first down. Gabriel broke free for a 26-yard run on the next play. An offsides call on HL moved the Vikings five yards closer to the endzone. A pass to Gildner on 2nd & 4 gained 24 yards, but time was running short and the Vikings were out of time-outs. Grayling got off two more running plays, but came up a couple yards shy of the goal

GHS led 13-0 at halftime.

Houghton Lake picked up 23 yards on the second half kick-off, but the Bobcats fumbled on 1st & 10. Partello picked up loose ball for Grayling and got to the Houghton Lake 37 before being brought down.

The Vikings weren't able to capitalize on the turnover. The Bobcats were called for clipping on the punt return, and had to start all the way back at their own 5-yard line.

Grayling held Houghton Lake to three-and-out. The Bobcat punt rolled out of bounds at the Grayling 43. On 2nd & 13, Partello broke through the line for a 31-yard gain. Three rushing plays brought up 4th & 10 at the Bobcat 16. Helsel then completed a pass to Gildner for a TD. The extra point kick missed. but Grayling led 19-0.

The Bobcats started their next drive from the 50. On 4th & 5 from the 46, Houghton Lake converted a fake punt pass for a first down. Grayling's defense responded with a strong showing.

On 1st & 10, Czapek tackled the HL ball carrier for a loss. The quarterback scrambled on second down for a short gain before being brought down by Czapek. On third down. Gib Tobin tackled the Houghton Lake runner behind the line of scrimmage to bring up 4th & 18. The Bobcats went for it, but the pass fell incomplete. The Vikings took over on downs at the Grayling

HL got the ball back on Grayling's third down play with a fumble recovery. A late hit call on GHS brought up 1st & 10 at the Grayling 39. Three running plays picked up another first down for HL. On 1st & 10, Houghton Lake fumbled after the run, but recovered the loose bail. A face mask call on Grayling put Houghton Lake at the 12-yard line for a 1st & 10 opportunity inside the redzone.

Three running plays failed to pick up a first. On 4th & 6 at the 8-yard line, Babbitt and Jason Strohpaul made the stop on a running play to end the drive. The Vikings took over on downs at their own 4 Babbitt picked up five yards on



Halfback Shawn Gabriel takes a hand-off from quarterback Chad Helsel in last Wednesday's game against Houghton Lake in Grayling.

first down. On 2nd & 5, Babbitt broke free for a 55-yard run. A few plays later, quarterback Russ Peters scrambled for 15 yards on 4th & 7 to keep the drive alive. Warren ran 15 yards for a touchdown on the next play, but the play was negated by an illegal motion penalty on the Vikings. Houghton Lake recovered a GHS fumble on the next play.

The Bobcats picked up one first down, but Grayling's defense held on the next four plays to take over on downs at Houghton Lake's 33vard line.

On 1st & 15, Warren picked up 11 yards. The Vikings came right back with Warren, who got free and covered 27 yards for the TD. Warren kicked the extra point, putting Grayling up 26-0 with just 26 seconds on the game clock.

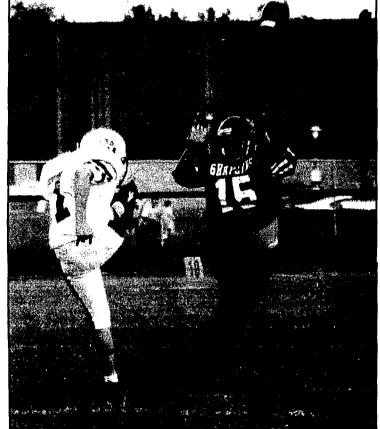
Wegner intercepted a Bobcat pass on 2nd & 10 to cut short Houghton Lake's last chance to get on the board. Grayling took a knee to end the game.

The Vikings won 26-0. Babbitt finished with 144 yards rushing on 14 carries. Partello

gained 70 yards on 10 carries. "I'm very happy with the hard running of Darryl Babbitt," said (Offensive) Coach Ron Wyman. "After last week's long outside runs, Houghton Lake knew we would go outside – so we pounded the middle

with fullback Darryl Babbitt." "Chad Helsel is really doing well at quarterback," said Coach Wyman. "He's making some good reads. He had nine completions last week with no interceptions."

week. We couldn't do that without



Greg Warren challenges a Houghton Lake punt.

the good blocking of Sean Kelly, Ferrigan. "Our freshmen players are Quintano, Travis Brush, and Jason Strohpaul," added Coach Wyman.

On defense, Czapek was Grayling's leading tackler with 17. Partello had 13 tackles, and Babbitt had 10.

"Our defense played some hard-"We had 400 yards of offense last hitting football and got a shut-out," said (Defensive) Coach Joe

Dan Snider, Michael Salyers, J.B. stepping up to the plate and giving to stay intense as we get into the tougher part of our schedule."

The JV football team will host Standish Sterling Central on Thursday, September 6, at 7 p.m. The Vikings will host Bay City John Glenn on Thursday, September 13,



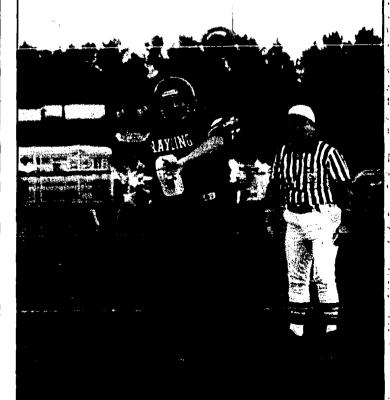
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Ouarterback Chad Helsel throws a pass in the Houghton Lake game last week.

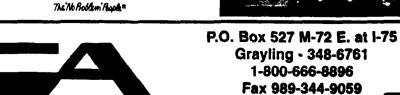
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Varsity team opens with loss to Gaylord

► Vikings struggle in season opener against Blue Devils of Gaylord

by Caleb Casey **Staff Writer**

Grayling High School's varsity girls basketball team did not have a good game in its season opener against the Gaylord Blue Devils last Tuesday in Grayling. The Vikings lost by a final score of 60-

Gaylord's offense was potent, scoring inside and at the perimeter, while Grayling's could not get anything going. Grayling's offense was out of sync early and never really

Gaylord led 12-2 after one period of play. Grayling's only two points of the quarter came on a pair of free throws by Lori Hinkle.

Gaylord brought full court pressure defense in the second quarter, and the Blue Devils poured in 22 points during the eight-minute period. The Vikings scored five points on two free throws by Kate Nickert, two free throws by Jessica Green, and one free throw by Danielle Beckwith.

Gaylord led 34-7 at halftime.

The Vikings had several turnovers in the third period, and didn't score any points. Gaylord led 52-7 after three quarters.

At the 7:40 mark, Kim Mitchell scored a shot inside, Grayling's first field goal of the match. Tracy Parkinson followed with a lay-up on a nice pass from Green. Hinkle and Jamie Dent both hit threepointers in the last two minutes of the game, putting Grayling's final point total at 17.

Hinkle was the scoring leader for Grayling with five points.

The Vikings will host Standish Sterling Central on Thursday, September 6.

On Tuesday, September 11, the varsity team will host Bay City



Jamie Dent handles the ball for Grayling in last Tuesday's varsity girls basketball season opener against the Gaylord Blue Devils.

Gaylord wins JV girls basketball match

► Vikings fall to Gaylord Blue Devils 54-29 in 2001

season opener

Staff Writer

The GHS junior varsity girls basketball team lost its season opener to the Gaylord Blue Devils in Grayling on Tuesday, August 28, by a final score of 54-29.

Gaylord moved ahead early and steadily pulled away to take the

The Vikings scored six points in the first quarter on two jump shots by Skylynn Palmer and a shot by Jessica Stewart. Gaylord scored 13 in the first eight minutes.

A put-back and a jumper by Mandy Czapek pulled Grayling within seven, 17-10. The Blue Devils scored the next six points, and outscored Grayling 16-6 for the remainder of the second quarter.

The Vikings scored a bank shot by Czapek, a jump shot by Stewart and a lay-up by Hannah Hall to hit 16 at halftime. Gaylord led 33-16.

Grayling scored three points in the third quarter (to Gaylord's 11) on a jumper by Ashley Hawley and a free throw by Hall.

Both teams scored 10 points in the final eight-minute period to leave Gaylord's lead at 25. The Vikings scored fourth quarter points on a jumper and a lay-up by Palmer, two jump shots and a free throw by Jodi Riddle, and a free throw by Stewart.

Gaylord won the match 54-29. High scorers for Grayling were: Palmer, 8; Czapek, 6; Riddle, 5; Stewart, 5.

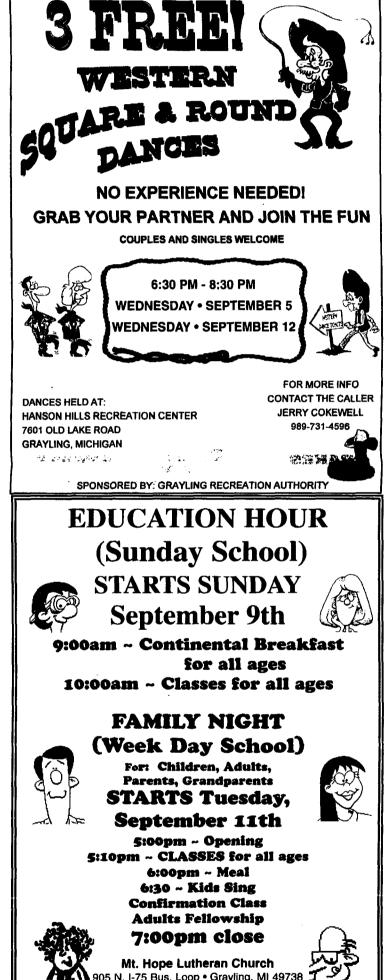
The JV team will host Standish Sterling Central on Thursday, September 6, at 6 p.m. On Tuesday, September 11, the Vikings will host Bay City John Glenn at 6 p.m.

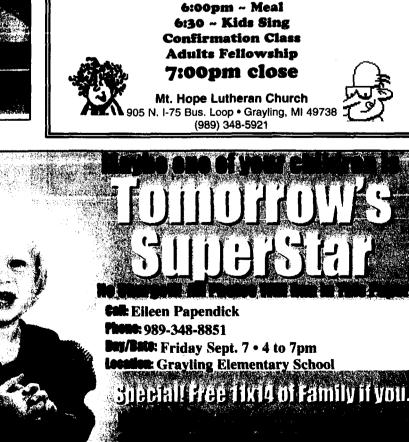


Mandy Czapek receives an in-bounds pass under the basket against Gaylord.



Jodi Riddle drives past mid-court.





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Starring Tom Mullica



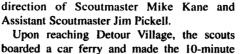
Tom Mullica's tribute to Red Skelton is a side-splitting tribute to America's clown. Tom transforms himself into Red Skelton and recreates classic Red Skelton pantomimes and routines with Freddy the Freeloader, Klem Kaddiddlehopper, Gertrude and Heathcliff, to name just a few!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2001 8:00 P.M. \$20(A) \$18(B) \$16(C) Family of 5 - \$35(B) \$32.50(C) KIRTLAND CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS KIRTLAND TICKET OFFICE AT 989-275-6777

Lobby Ticket Office opens at 4:00 p.m. Day of Show KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE 10775 N ST HELEN ROAD, ROSCOMMON, MI 48653



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headed north to enjoy a three-day trip to

Drummond Island on August 17 under the

journey across the broad mouth of the St. Mary's River to Drummond Island. Upon reaching the island, they drove approximately 20 up camp for the weekend.

Local scouts visit Drummond Island

On Saturday afternoon, the group of 21 scouts and family members set out for the 10-mile trek to Marble Head (one of the highest points on the island). While on the five-hour hike, the scouts enjoyed the beautiful views of Glen Cove, Lake Huron, Canada, and the natural beauty of the island.

The scouts of Troop #993 have now complet-

Boy Scout Troop #993 of Camp Grayling miles to the east end of the island where they set ed two of the 10-mile hikes required for their hiking merit badge. The scouts look forward to completing the three remaining 10-mile hikes

and one 20-mile hike. As the weather starts to get cold, the scouts will be looking to do some winter camping and

earn their "Polar Bear Award." Any boy age 11-18 is welcome to join the Boy Scouts. If interested, call Mike Kane at 348-5302 or Jim Pickell at 348-2870.



Photo courtesy of Boy Scout Troop #993

Boy Scout #993 of Grayling visits Glen Cove on Drummond Island: (front, left to right) Storm Shriver, Jon Kane, Sean Redmond, Jason Renaud, Journey Renaud, Richard Haight, Alex Millar, Jordan Renaud, Andrew Kane, Nathan Pickell, Robby Schlaff, James Haight, Matthew Haight, Committee Member Dave Shriver; (back, left to right) Scoutmaster Mike Kane, Ben Chouinard, Tracy Chouinard, Committee Chairperson Jennifer Kane, Assistant Scoutmaster Jim Pickell, Committee Member Angie Pickell, Jessica Pickell.

COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

by Donna Thomson

Wednesday Ladies Golf League On Wednesday, August 29, our day was picture perfect. We were

almost forgetting how wonderful a blue sky could be. The "match" play is over for the year so we're back to "just fun" days!

Ricki Stahl - longest putt, #10; Today there were prizes for longest putts on most holes and closest to the pin on the shorter holes, and these gals took honors:

shall post a copy of this order in the court-

house, and at the Crawford County Building,

Grayling Township Hall and at property itself

for three continuous weeks, and shall file

Thelma S. Cochran at the last known address

by registered mail, return receipt requested,

before the date of the last publication, and the

affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this

4. A copy of this order shall be sent to

proof of posting in this court.

Nielson - longest putt, #16; Treva McClanahan - closest to the pin (second shot), #17; Rhea Gierke --Council snows - ... 84 ... Linux tragging 3. Crawford County Sheriff Department

> and Shirley Parker on #12. The Cornell Agency towel was

Honorable Alton T. Davis (P24472) NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FOX RUN

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE

SALE

OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPO MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael C. Scott, a single person (original mortgagors) to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. f/k/a Norwest Mortgage Inc. DBA Directors Acceptance, Mortgagee, dated August 20, 1999, and recorded on September 14, 1999 in Liber 490, on Page 355, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of hereof the sum of FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE AND 30/100 dollars (\$55,445.30), including interest at 9.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged permises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM. on October 10, 2001.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

South half of the East 5 acres of North 10 acres of the South 15 acres of the North 20 acres of the Southwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

SUBJECT to an easement, for driveway purposes over the South 6 feet of the above described premises.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such Dated: August 30, 2001

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: 248-593-1309 Trott & Trott, P.C. **Attorneys and Counselors** 30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File#200122730

Jeanette Kitchen - closest to the pin, #11; Mo McNamara - longest putt, #12 and longest putt, #14; Sandy Winkle - longest putt, #13; Gloria

We also had two gals with chipins today: Shirley Bendig on #15

won this week by Shirley Schultz. Our lunch was of chicken cordon bleu, au gratin potatoes, and cake for dessert.

President Nancy Hoffman asked for a round of applause for our treasurer Connie Gates, who won the Club Championship for Women last weekend. And on that high note, that's all "fore" now.

FORECLOSURE NEWS

The end of the year winners for the Fox Run Thursday Night Ladies League are:

1st Flight - Chris Golicic, Carole

2nd Flight - Sue Longendyke, Kathy Freer:

3rd Flight - Donna Furstenau, Beverly Nester.

Heads Up North Viking of the Week



Varsity Football Coach: Scott Cousineau JUELL JOSEPH

Juell had a good overall game against Houghton Lake last week. He rushed for 132 yards on 14 carries, had 3 galiches for 33 yards, and posted 10 tackles on defense.

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LEGAL ACTION

LAND FOR LAND **EXCHANGE**

Notice is hereby given that the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, is considering an exchange of land with Oscoda Area Schools under the authority of the General Exchange Act of March 20, 1922, as amended (16 U.S.C. 485, 486), the Act of October 21, 1976, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1716), and the Federal Land Exchange Facilitation Act of August 20, 1988 (43 U.S.C. 1716, 43 U.S.C. 751). The lands under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service that are being considered for exchange are described as the West 716 feet of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, except the W 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, Section 5, T23N, R9E, in the Huron National Forest, Iosco County, Michigan. The non-federal lands are described as the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 Section 11, and That part of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, lying Southerly and/or Easterly of the centerline of Wakeley Bridge Road, Section 14. T26N, R2W, in the Huron National Forest, Crawford County, Michigan. Any or all of the above described lands may be exchanged if the values are equal. If the values are unequal, either party may equalize the

values by making a cash payment. This payment may not exceed 25 percent of the value of the lands transferred out of Federal owner-

ship.

The federal lands have been segregated from appropriation under the public land laws and mineral laws for a period not to exceed 5 years from the date of the publication of this

Persons claiming such properties or having valid objections to this proposed exchange must file their claims or objections in writing with the District Ranger, Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Huron Shores Ranger Station, 5761 North Skeel, Oscoda, Michigan 48750, within 45 days after date of the initial publication of this notice.

Publication Dates: August 30, 2001; September 6, 2001; September 13, 2001: September 20, 2001.

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF **CRAWFORD**

James A. Parkinson and Kathleen K. Parkinson, husband and wife,

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Frederic Township Board will conduct a Special Meeting and hold a Public Hearing beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 12, 2001 at the Frederic Township Hall, 7564 Co. Rd. 612, Frederic, MI.

The purpose of the hearing is to revise and amend the Frederic Township Budget for the 2001-2002 Fiscal year.

Ronald D. Lewis Township Supervisor

KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

Kirtland Community College is accepting proposals for the following for an annual period of October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002:

PLUMBING CONTRACTOR: to perform minor plumbing work (jobs that are not expected to exceed \$1,500 in scope) at college facilities.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR: to perform minor electrical work (jobs that are not expected to exceed \$1,500 in scope) at college facilities.

PAINTING CONTRACTOR: to perform minor painting work (jobs that are not expected to exceed \$1,500 in scope) at college facilities.

Proposals will be received until Thursday, September 20, 2001 at 3:30 p.m. in Kirtland Community College's physical plant office at which time they will be open and publicly read. All proposals must be submitted on the official bid sheet. Bid documents may be obtained in the physical plant office in the Art/Maintenance Building or by calling 517-275-5000, Ext. 263 during regular business hours. The college reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and/or re-bid the project. Proposals must remain firm for a period of thirty days after the official bid opening.

Any questions regarding this project should be directed to JoAnn Cornerford, Director of Physical Plant at 517-275-5000, Ext. 249.

Plaintiffs.

Brian Shepherd and Colleen Shepherd, husband and wife, and Delta Funding Corporation, a New York corporation,

Defendants File No. 00 5238 CK (D) David R. Sabin P19822 Attorney for Plaintiffs 115 Michigan Avenue Grayling, MI 49738 989-348-5588 James J. Murray P40413

Attoprney for Delta Funding 303 Howard Street Petoskey, MI 49770 231-347-1200

NOTICE OF SALE Notice is given that by virtue of a Foreclosure Judgement filed August of the 3, 2001, directing the sale of the following-described property or so much as may be necessary to raise the amount determined to be due to Plaintiffs, a sale shall be made to the highest bidder at the front door of the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan. The sale shall be made after the Sheriff has given public notice of the time and place for said sale as required by Michigan statute and according to the course and practice of this Court. The sale of said property shall be made by or under the direction of the Crawford County Sheriff on

Monday, October 1, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. Parcel E-2: Commencing at the Southwest corner of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 12, T26N, R4W, thence South 89 degrees 44'E along the 1/8 line 487 feet; thence North 2 degrees 01'E 708.6 feet; thence North 89 degrees 07'30"W to P.O.B.: thence continuing North 89 degrees 07'30"W 150 feet; thence North 2 degrees 01'E 186.2 feet; thence South 89 degrees 07'30"E feet; hence South 2 degrees 01'W 186.2 feet to the P.O. Box

Survey recorded at Liber 384, Page 379, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

Date: August 24, 2001 David L. Lovely Sheriff/Deputy Sheriff

-30-6-13-20

STATE OF **MICHIGAN** JUDICIAL DISTRICT **CRAWFORD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT** Order for Service by **Publication/Posting** and notice of Action

Case No. 01-5491 CH Judge Alton T. Davis 200 West Michigan Avenue Grayling Michigan 49738 989-348-5588 Plaintiff Craig N. McDonald Plaintiff's Attorney David R. Sabin P19822 115 Michigan Avenue Grayling, Michigan 49738 989-348-5588 Defendant Thelma S. Cochran 1233 Downer Lansing, Michigan 48912 To: Thelma S. Cochran It is ordered:

1. You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to have Plaintiff declared to have a superior title to Thelma S. Cochran and all persons claiming under her. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above. If you fail to do so, a default judgement may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in the Crawford County Avalanche three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this

POSITION OPENING CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY **BOARD VACANCY**

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are accepting applications for an open position with the Crawford County Library Board. Members of this Board set policy and procedures for boards governance and general operation within the local library. Applicants must be 18 years of age, a Crawford County Resident, have familiating with parliamentary rules and procedures and the general knowledge of library functions within Crawford County. Deadline to submit applications is Tuesday, September 18, 2001 at 4:00 p.m. Applications may be sought from Sandra Moore, County Clerk/Register of Deeds Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

Sandra Moore County Clerk/Register of Deeds 08/27/2001

Clerk/Deputy Clerk

NOTICE

SALE

OF MORTGAGE

FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE

made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage

made by Vernon Overmeyer, a/k/a Vernon

Overmyer (original mortgagors) to Citizens

Bank, Mortgagee, dated August 6, 2007, and

recorded on September 17.1997 in Liber 438.

on Page 73. Crawford County_Records

Michigan, on which mortgage there is

claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum

of SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUN-

DRED NINETEEN AND 44/100 dollars

(\$7,719.44), including interest at 15.000%

Under the power of sale contained in said

mortgage and the statute in such case made

and provided, notice is hereby given that said

mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the

mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at

public venue, at the front door of the County

Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM,

OF BEAVER CREEK, Crawford County

Michigan, and are described as:

Dated: August 30, 2001

Attorneys and Counselors

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200

248-593-1311

Trott & Trott, P.C.

File#200121978

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP

Lot 740. Indian Glens of the AuSable Unit

#6, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford

County, Michigan, according to the recorded

plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 04 of Plats,

Pages 01 through 14, Crawford County

from the date of such sale, unless determi

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s)

abandoned in accordance with 1948CL

600,3241a, in which case the redemption

period shall be 30 days from the date of such

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

-30-6-13-20-27

on October 10, 2001.

Records

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been

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7. Have work experience as a computer

A full context of the meeting minutes is

STATE OF MICHIGAN

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT

FOR THE COUNTY OF

WARRLER'S HIDEAWAY ASSOCIA-

D. Benoit, F. Schade, Michael and Judy

Bocker, Joseph R. Bur, Virginia M. Case,

Dominic DeMichele, Gary Hall, Dana

Hribek, Michael Jones, James and Ramona

McGraw, Michael B. and Ana Marie

Michael, John Razzano, Miller-Tyme Real

Estate. Dave Schuehrer. Ken Stevens, James

NOTICE IS GIVEN that by virtue of a

Judgement of the Clerk of the Court for the

County of Crawford, Michigan, dated July

26, 2001, directing the sale of the following-

described properties, all of which are located

in Warbler's Hideaway Association, Lovells

shall offer the said properties for public sale

to the highest bidder at the front door of the

Courthouse at 200 West Michigan Avenue,

Grayling, Michigan in Crawford County,

that being the place of holding the Circuit

Court on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

Subdivision

Creekview No. 2

Creekview No. 2

Northern Heights No.1

Northern Heights No.1

Northern Heights No.3

Northern Heights No.1

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Northern Heights No.2

Warblers Hideaway No.4

Township, Crawford County, Michigan, I

VanScovoc, Jc. and their unknown

David R. Sabin P19822

Attorney for Plaintiff

115 Michigan Avenue

Grayling, MI 49738

NOTICE OF SALE

989/348-5588

2001 AT 10:00 A.M.

Lot No.

235

055

016

169

060

599

Date: 8-17-01

Sandra Moore

TION, a domestic non-profit corporation.

rogrammer, computer operator, computer

consultant, or software or hardware techni-

Meeting was adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

available in the Clerk's office.

Clerk/Register of Deeds

Sandra Moore

CRAWFORD

File No. 01-5431-CK

Plaintiff

spouses, if any.

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL **PROCEEDINGS**

Meeting held on the 13th day of August 2001 Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Palmer

Members Present: Hayes, Palmer, Wyman, Banda.

Members Absent: Brown

Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, City Clerk, Dennis Palmer, Caleb Casey, Karl Schreiner, Bob Butzin, Michele Butzin, Alan Somero, Sue Somero, Dennis Long, Judy Long, Roger Moshier, Jerry Respecki, Tim Coe, Karl DeVries, Tom Krashen & Jim Downer of Bureau of Aeronautics MDOT, Larry Fleis & Robert Fudge of Fleis & Vandenbrink. 01-121

Moved by Banda, supported by Hayes that the minutes of the meeting of July 30, 2001 be approved as presented. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Public Hearing. None.

Communications were received and noted 911 Activity Report for July 2001. Letter of thanks from Emie Dawson.

Memo regarding street signs, the cost to replace signs was discussed and if this was a major problem in the city.

Police Report for July 2001. Revenue/Expenditure Report

Water/Sewer Fund. Old Business.

Airport. Thomas Krashen and Jim Downer, representatives from MDOT Bureau of Aeronautics gave a presentation to Council about the value of an airport to the community for transportation and trade.

City Hall Update. The City Manager has been in touch with DKL and they will be bringing a presentation to Council at the August 27, 2001 meeting.

Ajax Drive, name for a private road for

01-122

Moved by Hayes, supported by Banda to name the private road Ajax Drive to accommodate the E-911 systems need for naming of all the roads in the City. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Policy Manual. Council will review this policy and it will be discussed at the next meeting.

Ordinances. Karl Schreiner spoke to Council about the need for more specific procedures and standards in some of the ordinances such as junk and weeds, dangerous structures. Do there need to be changes? What direction do we need to go to enforce these ordinances? At the nxt meeting the Council will start working on one ordinance per meeting. Mr. Lowe will bring an ordinance to work on.

Rules. The City Attorney feels that Council should establish some rules for meeting procedures. The City Manager will make some recommendations and report back to Council.

New Business.

4:30 p.m.

City Clerk

Kay Ellen King

Posted 8-29-01

Fleis & Vandenbrink regarding the new City Hall. Larry Fleis and Robert Fudge gave a presentation to Council about Fleis & Vandenbrink Engineering, Inc., what they can offer the city in building a new city hall.

Designate Voting Officials to the M.M.L. Convention September 12-14th 2001 in Battle Creek.

01-123 Moved by Wyman, supported by Hayes to appoint Brian Banda as delegate and Allen Lowe as alternate delegate to the M.M.L. Convention in Battle Creek on September 12-14th, 2001. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1 motion carried

ZBA Alternate Member. The ZBA can have 2 alternate members on their board. City will place an ad in the Crawford County Avalanche for interested persons.

Amend Master Plan. Mr. Wyman questions if the intent for an Industrial Park conforms with the Master Plan. Council would like the Planning Commission to look into

Two Sprinkling Meters. City residents are asking about having two outside watering meters. A discussion was held regarding the

Moved by Hayes, supported by Banda that second watering meter could be obtained with a deposit of \$50.00 which would be credited to their water account if returned to the city in good condition. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak.

Roger Moshier passed to Council a portion of the Zoning Ordinance. Section 3.24 INTERSECTION VISIBILITY and asked if this was going to be enforced as a safety

Reports of City Manager.

Have spoken to state and federal government regarding grants for the Grayling Reel property. They will get in touch with the City after they have reviewed the information.

The City Manager will meet with Michigan Department of Agriculture next week. There is potential for agriculture related industries to locate in Grayling.

Unfunded Liability and defined contributions. The Council needs to deal with the unfunded liability this year, if the City wants to offer a defined contribution plan to the employees.

Fire Chief Brooks had a meeting in Traverse City regarding the possibility of acquiring the land at the airport for a fire station. This is a two year process. We could go ahead with the lease and acquire the land

River House Shelter. They are thinking of buying property on North Down River Road and would like to connect to city water and sewer. The Council needs to establish a pol-

FIA will only pay \$200.00 to the funeral director for opening and closing graves. We will do a check of actual cost to the city to perform this service and report back to

Reports of Council Members

Mr. Banda asked about the City Income Tax and asked how many years it has been in effect. Now that we have streets and sidewalks would it be a good idea to either reduce the income tax or eliminate it. We are keeping business from locating here because the city income tax. This should be looked

Mr. Banda would like to review the salaries of the office employees. Council would like for the City Manager to bring to Council comparisons of wages from different cities to the next meeting.

Mr. Banda spoke to Council regarding the leasing of the rest of the current city hall building. The City could rent this extra space for paying of the utilities for the whole building. The city is definitely in need of extra space and this would be a solution to the problem.

Moved by Banda, supported by Hayes to accept the offer of leasing the rest of current city hall building in exchange for the city being responsible for all of the utilities. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion car-

Mr. Wyman asked about the situation of the old city hall building. Council is in agreement that we should sell this property. We first need to establish an asking price. The City Manager will bring back more information at the next meeting.

Mr. Wyman questioned the increase in the MERS Unfunded Liability which the City Manager explained was due to the fact that the city went to a B-2 Plan.

Mr. Wyman ask about HB 4720-4725 that would amend the annexation/detachment for municipalities within the State of Michigan. The City needs to write letters to our IMI. ing our opposition to these bills. 01-126

NOTICE

The Grayling City Council has scheduled a Public Hearing on Monday,

September 10, 2001, 7:30 p.m. at the Grayling Middle School to receive

public input regarding a proposed ordinance to establish a municipal civil

infractions ordinance. A copy of this proposed ordinance is available at

the Grayling City Hali, 5688 M-72 West between the hours of 8:00 a.m. -

Moved by Banda, supported by Wyman to write letters to our Representative, Senator and M.M.L. in opposition to HB 4720-4725. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1. motion carried.

Ms. Palmer would like to see an article in the paper explaining the new water/sewer billing and the reason for changing to all new meters. This will be done.

Moved by Wyman, supported by Hayes that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0. Abstain: 0. Absent: 1. motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m..

Kay Ellen King

SYNOPSIS

CRAWFORD **COUNTY BOARD OF** COMMISSIONERS Regular Board **Meeting of August** 15, 2001

The Regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Scott Hanson at 9:34 a.m. in the County Building on August 15.

Roll Call: Hanson, Golnick, Pinkelman Corlew, Wieland and Beardslee. Absent - None

Sandra Moore, County Clerk-Register of Deeds - Present.

Paul Compo, County Controller - Present. Others were present at various times. -Moved to approve the Minutes for the

July 18, 2001 Regular Board Meeting. -Moved to amend the motion to authorize one change to page four (4) of the July 18, 2001 Regular Board Minutes, under Executive Session to include the word "writ-

ten" legal opinion.

-Moved to accept the agenda as written -Moved to authorize payment of the folowing claims: General Fund - mileage for Compo, Conklin and Saladine, prepaid vouchers, payroll and open invoices on the August 7, 2001 report in the amount of \$329,122.06; D.A.R.E. Fund - prepaid vouchers, payroll and open invoices on the August 7, 2001 report in the amount of \$8.606.44: Environmental Control Fund mileage for Merrill, prepaid voucher, payroll and open invoices on the August 7, 2001; report in the amount of \$9,909.03; Central Dispatch Fund - prepaid voucher, payroll and open invoices on the August 7, 2001 report in the amount of \$18,491.92; Building and Zoning Fund - mileage and per diem for Anderson and Duran, prepaid vouchers, payroll and open invoices on the August 7, 2001 report in the amount of \$13,194.03; Fish Fund - prepaid voucher in the amount of \$557.00; and the Revolving Fund - open invoice on the August 7, 2001 report in the amount of \$500.00

-Moved to request the law firm of Cohl. Stoker & Toskey submit a letter on behalf of the Board to the Court's attorney relative to -Moved to accept correspondence as sub-

further discussion on a resolution of the dispute of court funding.

mitted. -Moved to adopt a Resolution acknowledging the impact by the Department of

Grayling, MI 49738.

2001 at the above location.

Barbara Clark-Greene, President

Crawford County Library Board

Management & Budget - Reduction in State Revenue Sharing (copy placed on file).

-Moved to support Presque Isle County in opposing any downgrading of environmental controls which are currently in place at the Elk Run Landfill, and hold in high regard the health and safety of our citizens.

-Moved to authorize EMO Merrill to draft a response to the July 20, 2001 letter from DNR Director K.L. Cook and address the County's point of view for the Grayling Fish

-Moved to accept the recommendation of the County Planning Commission and rezone South Branch property code #20-062-031-

013-100-00 from RD-W to RR. -Moved to pay the July Court expenses and subtract Crawford's share of the retiree health care insurance line item for expenses incurred.

-Moved to authorize the Treasurer to fill the vacant Deputy Treasurer position in accordance with the AFSCME Union Contract.

-Moved to approve the By-Laws of the County of Crawford Brownfield Redevelopment Authority as submitted. -Moved to request EMO Merrill submit a

letter of support to RC&D for the Storm Water Run Off Grant Application. -Moved to change the September Regular Meeting schedule from Wednesday, September 26, 2001 at 9:30 a.m. to Tuesday.

September 25, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. with the FY2001/02 Budget Hearing scheduled at -Moved to appoint the County Treasurer as the MERS Employer Alternate, and allow the lodging and registration fees for each of the

Employer and Employee Delegates and Alternates to attend the MERS annual Conference in Dearborn, Michigan.

-Moved to continue the collection process as in the past for Federal Forest Land Funding for the County, and notify Huron

-Moved to amend the agenda to include the Library Board Appointment. -Moved to appoint Judith Morford to the

Library Board to fill a vacancy ending 10-31-02.

Moved to accept the State of Michigan Terrorism Consequence Management Preparedness Assistance Grant of FY2001 from October 1, 2000 through September 30,

-Moved to request the County submit a letter to Assistant Prosecutor Sabin requesting an answer to the following Planning Commission questions:

1.Can two County Commissioners be members of the Crawford County Planning

2. When members are appointed to the Crawford County Planning Commission, must they reside from the townships that are affected by the County Zoning Ordinance; i.e. Maple Forest, Beaver Creek and South Branch Townships?

-Moved to establish a four (4) member Management Information Systems (MIS) Advisory Board. Applicants must be eighteen (18) years of age and have a working knowledge of or be familiar with the follow-

1. What the major components of a com-

2. What a network is and how it operates 3 What federal and state statutes are that pertain to software and hardware

4. How a file server interfaces with the work station it supports 5. What major actions a file server con-

ducts in its interface with a workstation 6. What major actions a workstation con-

ducts in its interface with a file server

for the proposal of determining the special assessment for fiscal year 2002-2003 for operation of the Fire Department. Cheryl Hopp Lovells Township Clerk

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP is seeking Bids for work on **Pioneer Cemetery Chapel**

NOTICE

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP

A Public Hearing will be held at the Lovells Township Hall on Tuesday,

September 11, 2001 during the regular meeting of the board at 7:00 p.m.

Building is 22 feet x 34 feet of cement block.

Porch is 10 feet x 22 feet.

Blocks need tuck pointing on all sides. Building needs scraped or power washed, primed and painted inside and outside.

Doors and wood need scraped and painted. Service door needs new brick molding. Cross needs repaired and painted.

Cemetery located on Pioneer Road between Pines Trail and Steckert Bridge Road.

Proof of insurance is needed. Payment on completion

Bids subject to refusal by Township Board.

Bids to be in by 12:00 p.m. (noon) of September 10, 01.

Bids to be open at Regular Township meeting - September 11, 01 at 7:00

NOTICE MDOT PUBLIC INFORMATION **MEETING** ON THE

STATE LONG RANGE PLAN FOR TRANSPORTATION Tuesday, September 11, 2001

at the Holiday Inn of Gaylord 833 Main Street Gaylord, Michigan 6:30 p.m.

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is in the process of revising the original 1995 State Long Range Plan's (SLRP's) goals, policles, and recommendations. Changes in federal funding legislation and policies provide opportunities to reevaluate goals. Transportation is a cooperative venture between MDOT, regional agencies, local governments, and the public. As such, it is important to identify a broad-based perspective on transportation needs for all modes of travel. MDOT staff will explain the planning process at this meeting.

Local government officials and the public are welcome to attend and participate in the process.

if further information is required, contact: Tom Kellogg, Transportation Planner, NEMCOG; (989) 732-3551 Ext. 13, or Mersha L. Small, MDOT, (517) 373-9193

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP CLEAN UP DAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2001 WASTE MANAGEMENT OF CENTRAL MICHIGAN **CLEAN UP COLLECTION LIST**

CRAWFORD COUNTY

LIBRARY NOTICE

TELEPHONE, DATA & COMPUTER

SYSTEMS BIDS

The Crawford County Library Board will be releasing bid documents for

telephone, data & computer systems on August 31, 2001 for the

Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library and its three branch

libraries. Bidders may submit proposals for an entire combination system

or separate telephone system or computer system portions of the work.

PC's will be purchased separately and are not included in this bid pack-

Sealed bids will be received on September 11, 2001 on or before 2:00

p.m. at the Crawford County Treasurer's office, 200 W. Michigan Avenue,

Qualified bidders may pick up bid documents after 10:00 a.m., August 31,

Waste Management is pleased to offer the residents of the South Branch Township roll off service for their annual clean up. While we strive to provide superior customer satisfaction with this program, there are some tems that we simply cannot dispose of in a solid waste landfill for environmental reasons.

As a general rule, clean up items include: Household furniture, including chairs, couches, mattresses and tables Appliances, including hot water tanks, stoves, refrigerators and air conditioning units (residents are responsible for freon removal)

Clean Up Items DO NOT include:

Any liquids including unsolidified paint, motor oil, and antifreeze Yard waste, leaves or brush

Appliances containing Freon

Chemicals or other hazardous wastes

Fiammables and explosives

Dangerous items, such as gasoline or hot ashes, burning barrels Car batteries and transmissions

Concrete, blocks, brick and stone - and all building materials Engine blocks other metal car parts

> This list is not all-inclusive. Ploneer and McMasters refuse sites
> MUST HAVE PERMIT TO ENTER

PUBLIC NOTICE

Frederic Township residents be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will be holding a public hearing on September 10, 2001, at 7:00 p.m. in the Frederic Township Hall. Located at 7564 C.R. 612, to hear the following wo cases:

Owner: Fred Rowe, Petitioner

ZBA.2001.001

Frederic, MI 49733

Parcel containing 19 acres. ZBA.2001.002 Owner: Donald E. Harris

3937 N. Manistee River Rd.

630 North Point Dr. Frederic, MI 49733 Parcel containing 2.06 acres

Both Petitioners are requesting a variance in order to build closer to the Manistee River than the 100 ft. setback that is required in the Frederic Manistee River District ordinance.

entative text and maps may be examined at the Frederic Township office during normal business hours.

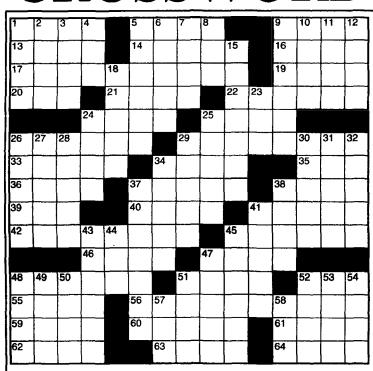
Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to Frederic Township Zoning Dept, P.O. Box 78, Frederic, MI 49733. Telephone (989) 348-8840.

Douglas J. Pratt Frederic Two. Zoning Administrator

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EATURES

CROSSWORD



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- 35. Make public
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 - 12. Retained 15. Actuality

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- 64. Legume

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(My Fair Lady)

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disapproval

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(helmsman's cry)

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 - 43. Football or fishing

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28. Surfer's "bye"

29. Lash marks

30. Rarin' to go

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journeys 34. Grain husks

37. Wrinkled-nose

31. Ambulance topper

- term 44. Covenant's container
- 45. Atrophy
- 47. Remedies
- 48. Actor Gwynne 49. City founded by
- Pizarro 50. "The doctor
- 51. So long, in Soho
- 52. Woodwind 53. One of "The Three
- Sisters" 54. Day laborer
- 57. Scene-stealing actor 58. Police notice: abbr.

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago September 7, 1978

At Wurtsmith Air Force Base final preparations are being made for the 1978 Open House/Air Show at Wurtsmith Air Force Base on Friday, September 8. Highlighting the event will be the spellbinding performance by the USAF Thunderbirds, the Air Force aerial demonstration team.

In addition there will be ground and aerial displays of military aircraft, demonstrations by Air Force Security Police Sentry Dog teams and concerts by the U. S. Air Force Band of Flight from Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, and much, much more.

46 Years Ago September 8, 1955

Dr. Ralph E. Hoffman, Optometrist, opened his new offices in his home at 502 Ionia Street Wednesday of this week after having been closed a week. His office formerly on Michigan Ave. was closed the first of the month and during the week past he has moved to the new offices in his

Carroll Wert and Charles Kroll left Tuesday for Wyoming to hunt antelope and deer for ten days. They will be guests at the Fred Bear camp.

Sheriff's Camp officers, Department men, City Police and State Police are searching for three inmates of Camp LaVictoire, correction-conservation camp in the

Hartwick Pines area. The three inmates walked out of camp between 9:30 and 10 p.m. Monday night and were the object of a night long search.

Let's Back the Vikings . . .

In prior years, the crowd, (if you could call it that) were very thin at the home football games of the Grayling High Vikings. biggest reason for non-attendance, we feel, was due to the games being played in the afternoon when most folks were working and were unable to be there. This year, of course, the Vikings will play at home for three games, all under the lights with game time set for 8 p.m.

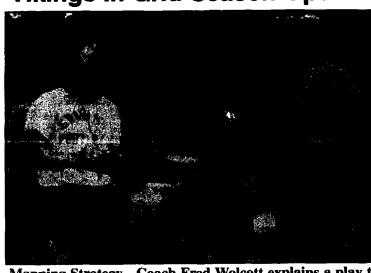
With the games slated for night play, most all of us will now have an opportunity to see our local boys in action. Let's all go to all three of these home games and show our team we're behind them 100 percent. Remember the dates of the three homes games to be played on the lighted football gridiron at the Grayling Memorial Recreation Area.....

69 Years Ago September 8, 1932

One of Grayling's landmarks is being razed to be replaced with a Hi-Speed Gas Station. McClain Hotel on the corner of Ottawa and Cedar Streets will soon be a thing of the past. The building is being salvaged by Mr. Isenhauer and a crew of workmen.

Roy Milnes was successful in retaining the coveted trophy of the

Vikings In Grid Season Opener



Mapping Strategy - Coach Fred Wolcott explains a play to Todd Dunckley and Rocky Tobin (left to right, kneeling), while Curt Hanson, Bill Lucksted and Louie Middleton (Left to Right, Standing), look on. (1978)

Grayling Golf Club, winning the annual tournament on Monday in close decision with Esbern J. Olson

Grayling Giants suffered a couple of defeats at the hands of Lewiston Sunday and Labor Day. The Sunday game ended in close score 3-2 but Monday the game ended 9-4

Miss Helen Elaine MacLeod, who has been spending several weeks, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hathaway in Lansing returned home Saturday. The young lady also visited her uncle and family Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hermann in Grand Rapids, while there played a piano selection over the Grand Rapids broadcasting sta-

92 Years Ago September 9, 1909

Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Schrieber

from east of town are State Fair Visitors this week.

Miss Anna Olson of Grayling, Michigan is the guest of her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Olson of 869 Kalamath St. Miss Olson has recently returned from a two months visit in Seattle and Ballard, Washington stopping on her return at Portland and Salt Lake City having been delayed at the latter place two days and a night on account of a washout.

Miss Ruth Barlow represents the Avalanche this week with the Eastern Michigan Press Club excursion from Detroit for this



MELBA TRIFLE 1 Pkg. French vanilla instant pudding mix 2 cups milk

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

1 prepared sponge cake (8-inch loaf) 1/2 cup strawberry or raspberry jam 2 cups fresh or frozen peach slices Real whipped cream

Prepare pudding mix with milk according to package directions; set aside. Cut cake into 1/4-inch slices and line bottom and sides of a large glass serving bowl. Using a teaspoon, drop dollops of jam over cake slices, using about half the jam. Spoon one-third of the

pudding over cake and spoon half the peach slices (drained, if necessary) on top. Add another layer of cake slices, pressing down gently. Repeat layers of jam, pudding and peaches; top with layer of pudding. Cover and chill until serving time, up to 12 hours. Just before serving, cover entire top with swirls of real whipped cream.

Makes 6 Servings.

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS HOROSCOPES

For the week or September 6 thru September 12

ner hasn't been treating you well. Social activity will be entertaining. Your emotional state will have to be con-

ARIES

Your lucky day this week will be Tuesday!

(Mar. 21- April 20)

(Apr. 21- May 20) Get into social activities that will promote new romantic encounters. Look into ways of pampering yourself. Shopping will be in your best interest. Be careful while en route. You may have a problem with authority figures if you don't abide by the rules. Talk to individuals who

You will be moody and difficult to deal with if your part-

trolled. You will have a tendency to jump to conclusions and overreact to personal situations. Think before you

are willing to grant you favors. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday!

GEMINI

(May 21-June 21)

Emotional ups and downs will lead to distancing yourself from someone you thought you could trust. Don't be too hard on yourself or your partner. You may just need some space. Financial difficulty is apparent. Look into your motives regarding your personal situation. Take heed of the advice given by good friends and relatives. Your lucky day this week will be Friday!

CANCER

(June 22-July 22)

Children will not be easy to handle. You must be sure to have enough activities to keep them busy. Plan your events carefully but don't tire yourself out in the process. Get back on track. Make a solid budget to live by Eagemess to get your personal life in order will lead to a solid relationship. Don't be afraid to tell your mate how Your lucky day this week will be Saturday!

(July 23-Aug 22)

Work on home-improvement projects. You need to keep active in order to avoid arguments. Money spent on materials will be put to good use. Do the labor yourself. Don't press your partner for answers or you may find vourself alone. You need to take a look at your own motives before challenging others. Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday!

VIRGO

(Aug. 23 -Sept. 22)

You will be emotional regarding your mate. Try to be patient when dealing with older individuals. You may be ikely to change your friends quite suddenly. Don't overspend on travel. Make sure that you have all your personal papers in order. You may be depressed if your partner is no longer stimulating you mentally. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday!

FOR ENTERTAINMENT ONLY!

(Sept. 23 -Oct. 23)

Don't get involved in secret affairs. Be discreet about your personal life with relatives or close friends. You may be in big trouble if you haven't been honest with your mate. Don't lend or borrow money or possessions. You will ruin a good friendship if you don't live up to your promises. Deception or disillusionment will be costly.

Your lucky day this week will be Wednesday!

(Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)

Don't give your secrets away. You can prosper if you focus your energy on your work and present your accomplishments by yourself. You need to make professional changes. Romance will find you if you participate in group events that you've been invited to. Don't be too eager to talk about yourself. Listen and you'll learn a great deal about others. Your lucky day this week will be Friday!

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 22 -Dec. 21) You can meet people with influence if you attend intellectual events. Don't exaggerate your talents. You may find yourself embarrassed. Be original in your approach to life, especially when it involves loved ones. Take care of the needs of those who depend on you. Look into your vacation plans. You need some rest and relaxation.

Your lucky day this week will be Monday! **CAPRICORN**

(Dec 22.- Jan. 20)

You need time to reflect. Pamper yourself and reevaluate your motives. You may need to change your direction a little if you want to be happy. You can make a difference if you go after your goals. You can bet that relatives will be quite willing to take advantage of you. Say no, but don't start a family feud. Your lucky day this week will be Thursday

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 -Feb. 19)

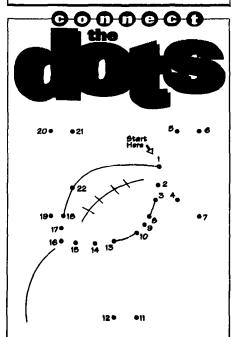
You can expect to have problems with your lover. Do not allow yourself to be taken advantage of when you are confused about the relationship. Ask pointblank where you stand. Hidden assets will pay off. You are up for wins, rewards, or gifts. Plan to have friends over for an evening of socializing and entertainment some time

Your lucky day this week will be Saturday!

PISCES

(Feb. 20-Mar. 20)

Minor accidents will prevail. Arguments with family members are evident. Do not lose your patience with lovers or children. This is not the day to make promises. Be careful not to divulge secret information. You will have to trust your own instincts. Expect friends to exaggerate and overreact to situations. You are best to keep your thoughts to yourself. Your lucky day this week will be Sunday!



Adopt a Pet



A brown and white male German Short-hair, about one to two years of age, awaits a loving owner to adopt him from the Animal Shelter of Crawford County in Grayling. He just seems to be saying, "Please take me home." The shelter is currently overloaded with animals, especially dogs. If you think you could provide a loving home for one of these dogs, please stop by and meet your new pai today!

A drop-off box for donations to the shelter is now available at the Grayling Hospital for Animals. Donations of food, toys, treats, litter, bedding, cleaning supplies and other items are needed. The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a non-profit organization and welcomes donations. Indicate on your donation Operations (regular expenses) or Project Fund (a new shelter); mail to: ASCC, P.O. Box 384, Grayling, MI 49738.

508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East)

Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Sun. 9 a.m. to 12 noon After hour appointments available.

Visit the shelters website at: www.asocc.org to view photos and descriptions of

some of the adoptable dogs and cats, as well as pictures of lost animals.

Courtesy of the City of Grayling **Extended Forecast** Last Week (Courtesy of the U.S. Excite Weather) <u>Date H L Rair</u> 8/29 76 45 8/30 79 46 High 73 8/31 80 59 0.01 66 37 8/1 8/2 67 40 52 8/3 76 46 Partly 8/4 81 46 0.42 Sunny T-Storms

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Crawford County Avalanche

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15 ACRES Five miles north of Grayling. All hardwoods. \$50,000 After 6 p.m. 989-348-4581 (9-16-23-30-6-13/1)

GOLF COURSE BUILDING LOTS for sale. Lifetime golf and ski memberships included. All lots are one to two acres. \$29,000 to \$49,000. Skyline Ski and Country Club. 989-275-5445 (4/20/00tf/1)

CITY LOT FOR SALE Corner of Vine Street and Plum St. \$8,000 or offer your best. Call 989-348-2694 or 989-348-7517. (-6-13-20-27/1)

PRICE REDUCED TO SELL \$67,000. Three bedroom, two full bath home, newly remodeled. Great location, walking distance to school, town and hospital. 1,167 sq. ft. of living space. 807 Vine Street. Call 989-348-2694 for appointment. (-6-13-20-27/1)

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FOR SALE BY OWNER 2,000 sq. ft. Brick home on river, two miles from Grayling. \$160,000. Call 989-348-2928. (7/12/01tf/1)

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CLEAN ONE BEDROOM **DUPLEX** Three miles from town, utilities included. \$350 a month, security deposit and references required. No pets. 989-348-8386. (-23-30-6-13/2)

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2 For Rest

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(7/12/01tf/2)

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of Gaylord Q

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APARTMENT FOR Second story one bedroom, single or couple, plus utilities, no pets, non smoking. Deposit required and ref-989-348-7868. erences. (4/19/01tf/2)



to town and the AuSable River. this nice home features 2 bedrooms, fireplace, an attached 2 car garage, a private back yard and includes 3 lots. #4807 \$68,500 Ask for Connie Winans!



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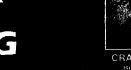
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COMMERCIAL BUILDING IN PRIME DOWNTOWN CATION Excellent location for retail store, or could converted to office space. Finished upstairs with hen and full bath could be used as living quarters. Full ncluded in price, but are negotiable. \$129,900 JC-1232



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383' FEET FRONTAGE on beautiful elevated site on bend: overlooking the Maristee River. 16' rwall overlooking river. 1,328 s.f., 2 B/R, 1 bath, breezeway, furnished except computer and stereo equipment. 4-5 car garage, 25 apple trees with automatic imigation, and storage building, 110 concrete drive. Title Insurance and Revenue Stamps to be split 50-50. \$210,000 CH-1297



6/12 pitch, designed for vaulted ceiling in kitchen, dining and living rooms. No well or septic. Walk to State Land, trails, and AuSable River. CH-1387 \$59,900



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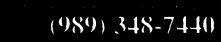
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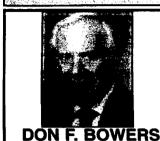
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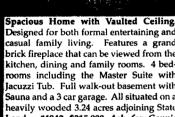


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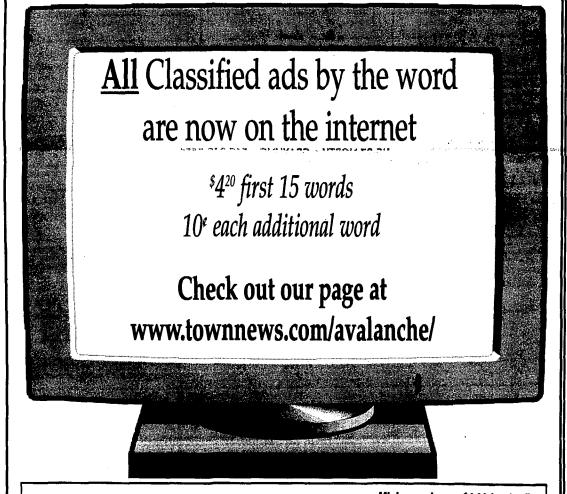
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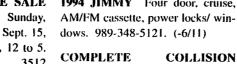
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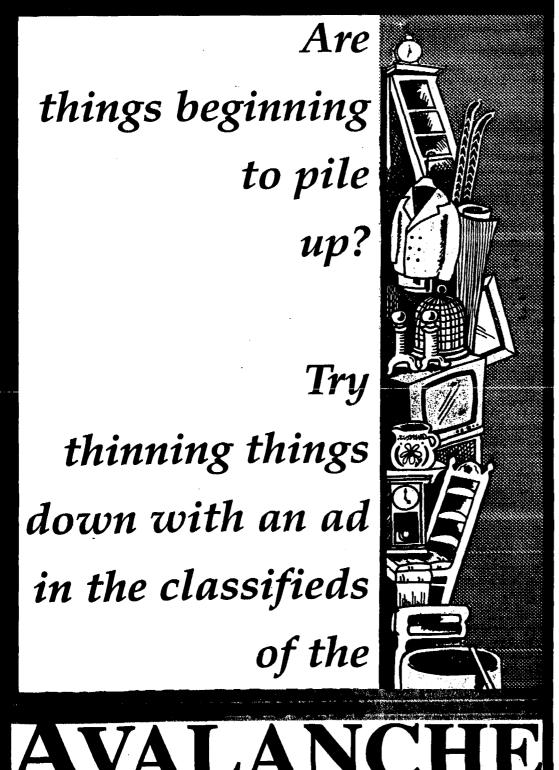
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New residential builder's law gives consumers more options

LANSING - Kathleen M. Wilbur, Director of Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services, said Michigan consumers have more options to resolve complaints against builders and contractors, thanks to a new law recently signed by Governor John Engler.

The new state law (PA 113 of 2001) enables CIS, the state agency which licenses and regulates builders, to offer alternative dispute resolution as an option for resolving consumer complaints. Alternative dispute resolution must be agreed to in advance in contract between the homeowner and builder. If the homeowner does not want to agree to arbitration, he or she need not sign the contract. Alternatively, the homeowner can find another builder who won't insist on arbitration.

"The arbitration only applies to workmanship disputes; it does not apply to code violations. Builders are held accountable to code violations regardless of whether or not there is an arbitration contract," Wilbur said.

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Wilbur said CIS has already had great success through voluntary mediation between licensees and complainants.

"The average length of time it takes to resolve builders' cases has improved by 25 percent in the last five years. And in those cases that go to mediation, agreement is reached 83 percent of the time and 75 percent of these agreements are honored," Wilbur said. "Mediation will continue to be a successful alternative to the administrative law and board review process because it resolves problems faster and more economically.'

Anyone offering to do work which totals \$600 or more in labor and materials must be licensed by CIS. A Residential Builder's license allows a contractor to build a complete residential structure and do maintenance and alteration (remodeling) work on a residential structure. A Maintenance & Alteration license indicates that the holder has met requirements for trades, such as basement waterproofing, carpentry, roofing, siding, swimming pools, and tile and marble. The trades for which a maintenance & alteration contractor is qualified to practice are listed on the license issued by CIS.

Wilbur said "We encourage consumers to research a builder or any licensee before they make any financial investment. A little legwork before a project starts may save a consumer the headaches they find later in trying to resolve a dispute if they hire an individual or company who doesn't meet the standards of the project established by the home-

A license look-up feature on the State of Michigan web site (www.michigan.gov) makes this process easier for the consumer. It is also one of the most popular features because it helps consumers make educated buying decisions."

Wilbur further noted,"Builders and contractors are required to display their license in the place of business and all contractors and their salespersons must carry a

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you a lot of money in the long run.

should ask to see. If there is doubt,

request to see their license." Consumers who want personal assistance in looking up a license can call the state's Verification Unit at 1-900-555-8374 for which there is a \$1.50 per minute fee.

Tips to consumers on how to choose a contractor are also on the State of Michigan website. Some helpful tips include:

Choosing a Builder/Contractor:

•Get references from the licensees you are considering and check them. Check with the Better Business Bureau and local authorities to see if there is a history of complaints.

•Be sure the licensee has a permanent business location and telephone number.

•Get estimates from different contractors/builders to compare prices. Remember that the cost of materials will affect the bid. A low bid based on inferior materials may not be any bargain, so consider more than price alone.

•Be wary of special prices because of left over materials, other jobs in the neighborhood, or discounts if you agree to get other customers. They are often gimmicks to get you to buy.

Get It In Writing

•Make sure that you read all documents carefully. Ask for any changes or modifications before you sign the contract. Look for the new alternative dispute resolution provision in a builder's contract. If you do not want alternative dispute resolution, then ask the builder to remove it from the contract or pocket card, which consumers choose a builder who won't insist on

arbitration.

Paying a Builder/Contractor

•Never pay for an entire job in advance. Make a deposit when work begins to cover materials and startup costs. Pay by check to the company name and ALWAYS get a receipt. Make scheduled payments as work progresses.

Resolving Problems

•If you have problems, you should try to resolve them directly with the contractor/builder before making the final payment. You may contact the local building inspector for assistance in resolving workmanship and code violations.

 Small Claims Court is another alternative if the dispute involves a sum within its jurisdiction.

•If your efforts to resolve the matter fail, or if you feel you are a victim of fraud or deceit, contact CIS' Commercial Enforcement Division to file a complaint. Consumers can file a complaint against a builder up to 18 months of the completion, occupancy, or purchase of a residence, which ever comes later.

"Most importantly, consumers must always get agreements in writing and make sure to keep a copy for the record. A written agreement will make sure there are no misunderstandings between you and your builder or contractor about the work or the terms of the contract," Wilbur

"Read all documents carefully and consider having an attorney review the contract and other forms before you sign them - especially if a large amount of money is involved in your project."

OMH to join National Bone Marrow Registry

Bone marrow transplants can cure life-threatening blood diseases, such as leukemia, and inherited diseases. About 70 percent of people afflicted with these diseases depend upon an

unrelated donor for the blood products which could save them.

"Communities always rally when there is someone locally who needs a transplant," said Anna Rogers, Executive Assistant at Otsego Memorial Hospital. "But the reality is, there are people around the world hoping for a miracle every day. We want to do our part to make sure there are as many happy endings as possible."

Otsego Memorial Hospital is hosting an informational session in Hospital Foundation and funding September and a marrow drive in available through NMDP. November, in conjunction with the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP).

NMDP matches unrelated donors and patients on the basis of tissue type, an inherited characteristic much like hair or eye color. Anyone between the ages of 18 and 60, who is in good health, is eligible to join the registry.

Two educational sessions to answer questions about what is involved in joining the national registry are planned for Friday, September 14. Rosaline Luiz, representative of the National Bone Marrow Program, will be at Otsego Memorial Hospital for presentations at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. She will talk about how you can become a member of the donor registry and what might be asked of you if you are identified as a match for someone in need.

Otsego Memorial Hospital is offering a Bone Marrow Donor Program registry November 20, in conjunction with its bi-monthly blood drive. If you choose to become a member of the donor registry, you will be asked to complete a questionnaire, and an additional vial of blood will be drawn for initial testing by NMDP. You may also attend specifically for the purpose of joining the registry.

This Bone Marrow registry program is being offered free through a grant from the Otsego Memorial

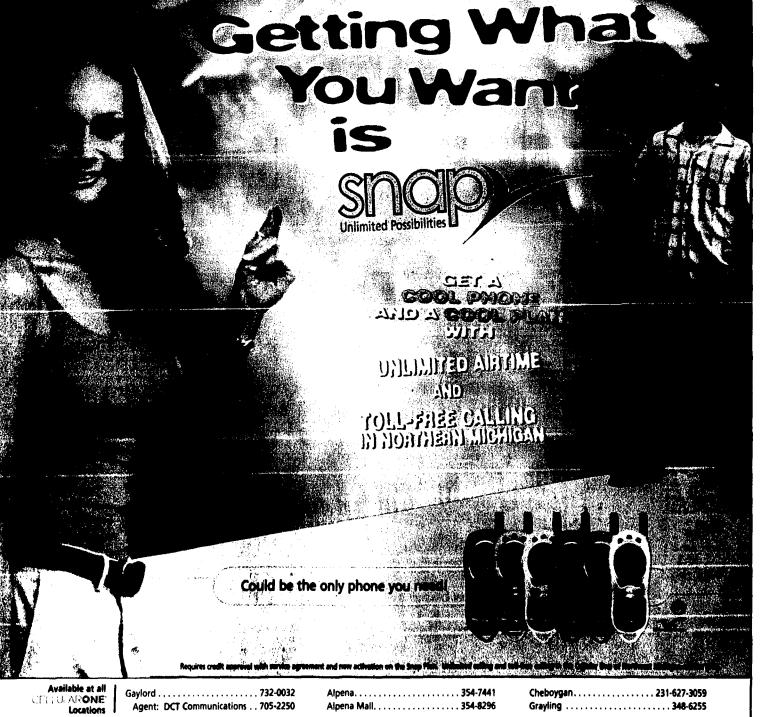
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